Live for something; do good and leave behind you a virtue that the storms of time can never destroy.

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Major General Lloyd R. Fredendall, commanding officer II Army Corps, extends best wishes for the New Year to members of his command.

Army Announces Wartime Temporary Promotion Policy

The War Department has announced the adoption of a wartime system of temporary promotion by selection uniformly applicable to all officers of the Army of the United States regardless of component.

The effect of this decision is to discontinue the present system governing permanent and temporary promotion of officers of the National Guard and the Officers' Reserve Corps and of officers of the Regular Army retired list on active duty.

The new system has the following specific features which are a distinct benefit to the whole Army. It removes the existing suspension of promotion of officers of the Reserve Corps to grades of lieutenant colonel and colonel and of National Guard officers not on duty with the National Guard units to those grades. It places all officers of all components on the same basis for promotion. It decentralizes selection for promotion to field commanders who can base their recommendations upon personal observation of demonstrated merit and gives those officers who have demonstrated outstanding ability during the current emergency an opportunity for early advancement to grades comparable to their attainments and equalizes responsibility and rank.

The system adopted is fundamentally the same as the one initiated by the War Department at the beginning of the emergency in which temporary promotion was made by selection from among lieutenant colonels and majors of the Regular Army in order to equalize rank and responsibility in that component and give these selected officers their mobilization rank as contemplated by Mobilization Regulations. As a first step in the transition from the peacetime systems of promotion to a system of selection suitable for wartime, the War Department will complete its initial program by promoting the remaining especially selected lieutenant colonels and majors of the Regular Army to the next higher grade. In addition to these promotions, approximately 360 selected captains and 1620 selected first lieutenants of the Medical Corps will be promoted to the next higher grade in order to fill many of the vacant positions in that corps. The bulk of

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FINE SHOWS COMING

Camp Shows Inc., have dated two of their Major Stage Units to play this Post on January 16 and 17 . . . and on January 30 and 31st.

The first unit is called "Beachcombers of 1942" . . . a musical show with lots of Gals etc. These shows will play in War Department Theatre No. 1.

The admission price will be 20c. U. S. A. M. P. S. coupon books will not be good for these stage attractions. Post Exchange Checks will be accepted for admission.

These stage attractions are dated for Friday and Saturday. Two shows each evening and a matinee on Saturday.

Veteran Officers Transferred After Years of Faithful Service with 28th Division

Fifty-four veteran officers of Pennsylvania's 28th Division have been transferred from their present assignments.

The list as released includes some of the most experienced and able commanders of the Division. Many have been with the Division since the World War and all participated in the recent First Army maneuvers in the south. The outstanding performance of the Division won acclaim and commendation from high Army officers and many of the officers transferred received personal citations for outstanding performance of duty in the simulated combat of war games.

The War Department recently announced the policy under which the transfers are taking place, which calls for the transfer from the field forces to the Corps Area Service Command of all officers classed as overage in grade. Strong effort has been made to retain the officers in the Division in view of the fine showing during maneuvers and the record of their organizations.

Present plans call for the transfer to the 1325th Service Unit at Indiantown Gap until reassignments are effected.

The list of officers as released follows:

Col. George J. Shoemaker, 103rd QM Regiment.

Col. Edward Hubbs, 108th Field Artillery.

Col. Franklin P. Haller, 111th Infantry.

Col. Albert O. King, 110th Infantry.

Lieut. Col. Harry S. Douglass, 111th Field Artillery.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Frederick P. Houghton, 28th Division.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Charles H. Frick, 109th Field Artillery.

Lieut. Col. John Nuckel, 107th Field Artillery.

Major Harry W. Schwalm, 103rd QM Regiment.

Major Frank E. Gearhart, 108th Field Artillery.

Major William W. Griffin, 108th Field Artillery.

Major John J. Berbidge, 103rd Engineers.

Major Robert L. Potts, 110th Infantry.

Major Wilfred A. Morgan, Inf. Hq., 55th Brigade.

Major Charles S. Seamans, 109th Infantry.

Major Ernest A. Swingle, 109th Infantry.

Major Joseph A. Zielinski, 111th Infantry.

Major Harry Johnson, 103rd Engineers.

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OFFICERS TRANSFERRED

The 28th Division has announced the transfers of: Lt. Col. Burleigh A. Peters, Chaplain formerly of Pittsburgh and assigned to duty with the 107th Field Artillery, now assigned to his new duties as Division Chaplain at Headquarters.

Lt. Col. Lewis F. Acker, GSC, Headquarters, 28th Division is relieved from further duty as G-4 of Headquarters and is assigned to duty as the Commanding Officer of the 103rd Quartermaster Regiment. Col. Acker is from Cheswick, Pennsylvania.

Major John C. Davis of Huntingdon, Pa., has been transferred to duty from the 103rd Quartermaster Regiment to his new duties as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 of Headquarters, 28th Infantry Division.

Captain Harry E. Clarke, of Altoona, Pa., is relieved of further duty as Assistant Judge Advocate General, HQ 28th Division and is assigned as Division Judge Advocate General, Headquarters 28th Division.

Major Paul M. Kienzle, of Tyrone, Pa., is relieved from assignment as Assistant Adjutant General and is assigned as Division Adjutant General.

Lt. Col. James C. Rosborough of Upper Darby, Pa., is relieved from further assignment and duty with HQ 28th Division and is assigned to HQ 108th FA.

Lt. Col. Walter H. Frick of the 108th FA and of Wilkinsburg, Pa., has been assigned to duty with HQ 28th Division, as AA and AT Officer.

Captain Alexander H. Gilfillon, former S-2 of the new Anti-Tank Battalion, recently named Tank Destroyer Unit 628, has been transferred to Washington, D. C. to their Military Police School.

Tech. Sgt. Harry Reiff takes a bride. Former Miss Helen Putnam, of Germantown says "I Do" in colorful ceremony—first of it's kind in new Special Troops chapel. Chaplain Freidenburg, Special Troops, performed the ceremony. Reiff is with G-4 section. Details on page 8.

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Commanding General's Message

America is now in its greatest war.

The United States is the wealthiest nation in the world and has raw material in almost unlimited quantities. Our people are the best educated and the most resourceful group in any country. We have more to fight for than the people living under any other government. Such conditions should indicate that we are unconquerable.

But wars are not won by wealth, material greatness, or superior numbers. They are won, as wealth and greatness are acquired, by courage, hard work, persistence and sacrifice.

There is not enough money or wealth in the world to buy courage. It is a condition of mind acquired and possessed by unselfish men.

In soldiers courage and morale are a result of leadership and training. The commander of a unit from a squad to a regiment creates morale and esprit de corps by being fair, attentive, and possessing a knowledge of his work. A well trained unit is one in which the members salute with snap, dress neatly, are good in guard duty, keep going on a hard march and shoot well.

This Division has done excellently so far. Yet before we go into battle we must improve ourselves in many things.

In everything we undertake let us do it perfectly.

Let us dress in accordance with orders, perfect our cadence in drill, master our particular branch of service, and keep our quarters orderly and well policed. Futher we should treat our particular motor vehicle as if it were our own personal property and the last one in the world. In short, we must work until we are proud of our unit, so proud that we wil' want to show it to our family and friends.

Such training will give units combat efficiency, the objective of all military preparation. Such units will also possess men of courage and men who win battles. Battles are still won by men, and not by machines.

ARMY EXPANDS A. P. HILL RESERVATION

The War Department has announced that the Real Estate Branch of the Corps of Engineers has been authorized to acquire immediately an additional 38,000 acres for the A. P. Hill Military Reservation, Virginia. This reservation is utilized as a maneuver area for the First Army and this increase will further facilitate its training.

OFFICERS TRANSFERRED

Transfers from the 28th Division include: Major Walter J. Bryden, to 3d Corps area. Major Bryden has been the Executive officer of the 2d Battalion, 109th Inf.

1st Lt. Purcell R. Davies, to New Cumberland Reception Center as of December 22d. Lt. Davies was the former Platoon commander of Company A., 109th Inf.

SAFEGUARDING MILITARY INFORMATION

The following War Department letter "Instruction to Troops in Safeguarding Military Information," dated April 11, 1941, is again repeated for your information and compliance:

"1. It has been brought to the attention of the War Department that officers and enlisted men are not exercising sufficient care in conversing with unidentified or unauthorized persons regarding military information.

2. It is desired that as quickly as practicable, all troops and civilian personnel in your command be instructed:

a. In the appropriate provisions of AR 380-5, particularly paragraph 4.

b. As to what is included in the term 'military information.'

c. To refrain from discussing any military information in public or with civilians without proper authority.

d. To refer all persons seeking or suspected of seeking information to the commanding officer for identification and proper authority.

3. Instruction in safeguarding military information will be given periodically to insure that all recruits become conscious of the need for discretion."

It frequently occurs that *military and civilian personnel,* while at lunch or on other business outside their offices, discuss matters in the sphere of official business.

All personnel are cautioned to discontinue the practice of discussing any matters pertaining to official business where such might fall upon ears which are constantly on the alert for any information which might be of value to the enemy. It should be kept in mind that what appears to be unimportant and not related to any defense project, may when properly fitted in and correlated with other morsels of information obtained by foreign agents, constitute valuable information to the enemy.

The importance of safeguarding military information cannot be overstressed. It is directed that the provisions of paragraph 3, of the above cited War Department letter, periodically be brought to the attention of both military and civilian personnel.

The attention of all Commanding Officers is invited to paragraph 63, AR 380-5.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

Chaplains Frank D. Scott, Harold A. Pruyn and Father Horn conducted appropriate and impressive services during the Christmas period at the 110th Infantry Chapel, Indiantown Gap, Pa. Chaplain Scott delivered a strong and stirring message Christmas Sunday on "The Everlasting Light." Lieut. Duane Hicks sang carols and Warrant Officer John T. Venettozzi played the organ at this morning worship. In the evening a beautiful Candlelight Communion service was conducted by the chaplains. At this service, Chaplain Pruyn received his daughter, Mary Elaine, into the membership of the Church.

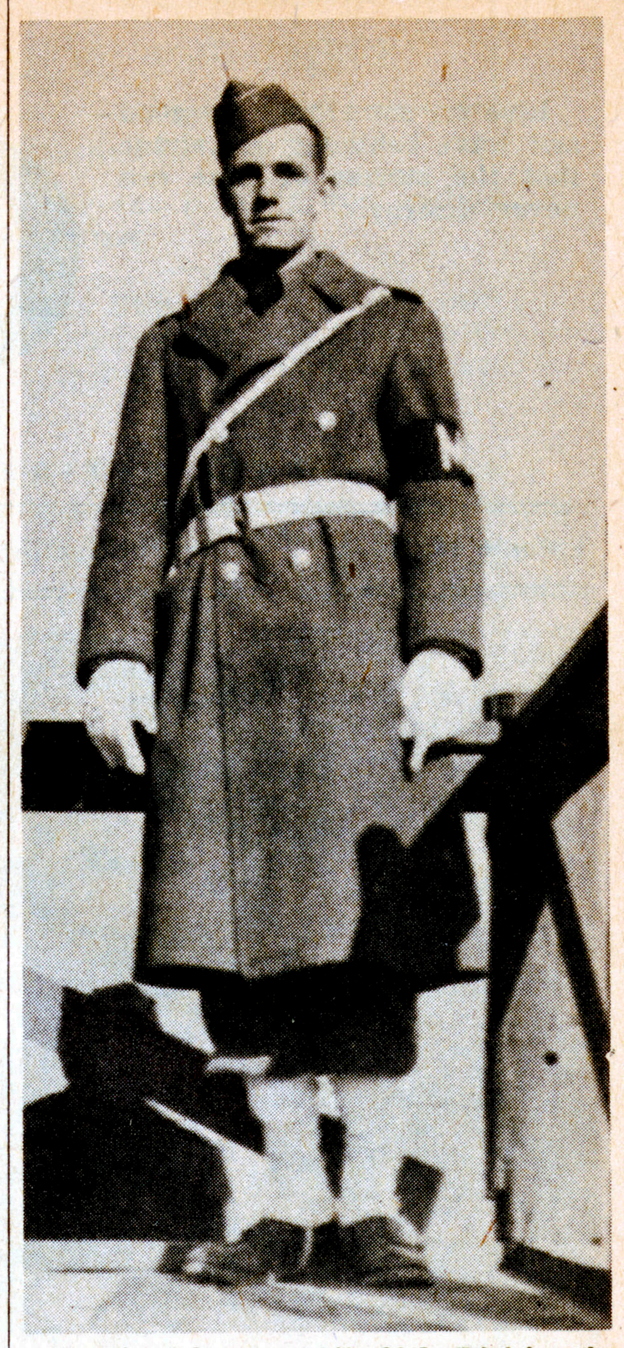
A carol service was held on Christmas eve by Chaplain Pruyn. An appreciative group gathered in the sanctuary and sang those carols which have so moved the hearts of men through the years.

Father Horn conducted mass on Christmas Sunday and at mid-night Christmas. Both were well attended and helpful in stirring the hearts of followers.

Some of those who helped in the ministry of music during this period were Mrs. Benj. Olena of Hershey, Paul Kelley, Doris Kiern and Mary Elaine Pruyn.

"I will never understand how the Army accepted me in the first place. I had a weak heart ever since they started talking about Conscription. I thought I'd get away with it when the examining doctor couldn't find my heart. If at the last minute he hadn't looked in my mouth I'd be a happy civilian today."

—Mercury.



M. P's doll up a bit. 28th Division is proud of new white additions to M. P. Uniforms. Better for night duty, and appearance in general.

16,450 FORMER OFFICERS AVAILABLE FOR DUTY

War Department officials have announced that hundreds of World War and other former officers are rushing to offer their services in the present conflict. It has long been realized that these officers are a potential source which will be of great value in an all-out effort. A partial survey of this group of officers recently completed disclosed that while most were generally too old for service with combat units they constitute a valuable storehouse of manpower for administrative positions. Calculated on the basis of 188,434 officers serving with the United States Army on November 11, 1918, it was estimated that 16,450 former officers aged 59 and under are now available and qualified for service. Results of the survey indicated that civilian experience gained since the World War has fitted certain of the Veteran officers for specialized service.

The present sources of officers for administrative positions have not yet been exhausted but as the Army expands and more vacancies are created it may reasonably be expected that an increasing number of former officers may be fitted into positions for which they are qualified by reason of their civil and military experience.

War Department officials made it clear that there is no intention of using any large number of Veteran officers at this time or in the immediate future. As present sources of administrative officers are exhausted Veteran officers with special qualifications will be called as needed. Volunteers were requested to refrain from writing the War Department concerning the status of their applications as no advance information can be given. When former officers are asked to serve, they will be allowed sufficient time to arrange their personal affairs.

DESERTERS WILL LOSE CITIZENSHIP RIGHTS

Now that a state of war exists, all persons who desert from the Army will, by provision of Federal law, be considered to have voluntarily relinquished and forfeited their rights of citizenship as well as their right to become citizens. Such deserters will be forever incapable of holding any office of trust or profit under the United States, and will not be able to exercise any of the rights of citizenship.

In the Field of SPORTS

by * * * * * * *
"DAVE" ZINKOFF
SPORTS EDITOR

Now that the Holidays are coming to a close and practically all furloughs have come to the same—we must devote ourselves to things more material. Leading citizens over the entire U.S.A. and in all fields have voiced the need for continued athletics to keep morale at high pitch and plane.

At the moment, basketball is the sport to consider. Many colleges have made the wish known to Major James Williams, Morale Chief for the 28th Division, that they will give of their playing floors and representative teams to combat any quintet from Gap origin.

Athletic Director, Cy Kaselman, has voiced his whole-hearted approval of the plan whereby games can be chartered with clubs of all kinds to compete against the I. G. M. R's. But this is more than a one-man-assignment! Co-operation is essential from all sources in this Military Reservation. It is necessary that all Athletic Officers encourage basketball players in their respective Regiments to come out for the team and to encourage team-work that must result in many victories.

But it is not for this scrivener to paint too rosy a picture. Work, hard work, thorough work, continued work is necessary to mould five men into a unit that will make the Iron Division proud. It is common knowledge that better-than-average athletes are in abundance in this Reservation. The job is now to bring those athletes into a common-bond wherein they will function as a unit. Lebanon and Harrisburg civic authorities have graciously offered their gyms for the necessary practices until our own field house becomes a reality.

So, gentlemen, submit your names to your Athletic Officer in charge—who in turn will give the names to Major James Williams or Cy Kaselman of the 108th F.A. and prepare yourselves for some hectic basketball evenings!

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For the benefit of our many new men-in-khaki. Our surrounding towns and cities are looking for you when you go visiting.

Lebanon: The U.S.O. Club is always there with a helping hand for any sort of information. Writing rooms are always stocked with paper, envelopes and ink. The chairs are deep and easy on the spine. Posters proclaiming the local movies, plays and athletic events are displayed prominently.

Harrisburg: 223 North Street. Catholic Service Center under the supervision of Father Schott— a grand fella! The entire double house is made for the use of the soldier on leave. The top floor doubles as a dance floor or gym with about 5 minutes notice. The basement holds a fair sized pool and the adjoining room holds ping-pong tables and radios. The main floor is stocked with many writing tables and soft easy chairs.

Harrisburg: 1110 North 3rd Street. This Jewish Community Center has much of interest for the service man. Large pool, fully equipped gymnasium, giant dance auditorium (look to the bulletin boards for exact time of dances) all hold keen interest for the man-in-uniform-off-duty. Centrally located—with the warm hand of friendship extended to all.

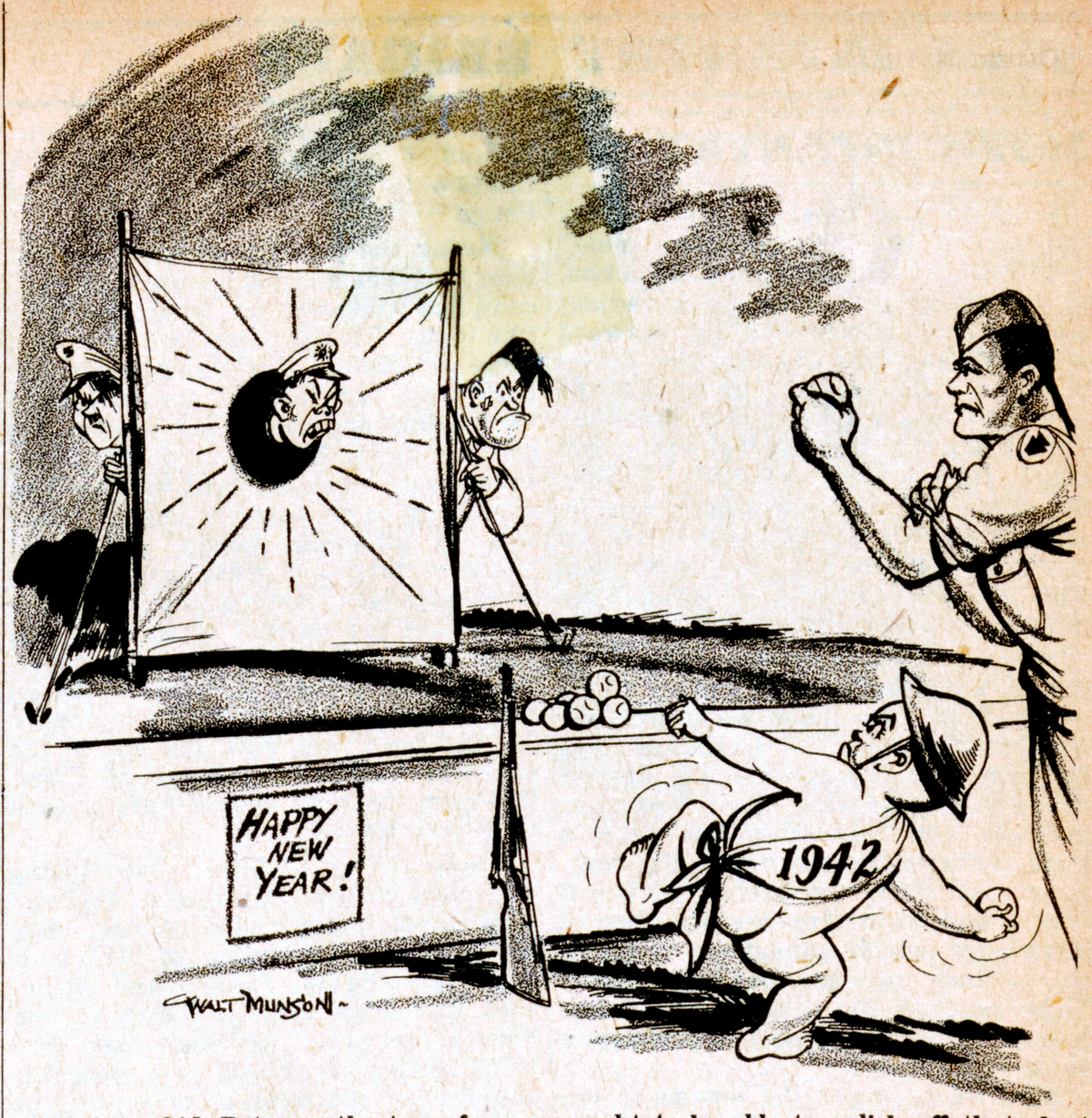
Philadelphia: Hospitality Center, 18 South 15th Street. This was formerly the Tommy Loughran Restaurant and has been completely renovated to suit the taste and full-time-use of the Uncle Sam-men. What-to-do, where-to-go and how to-get there—these questions and many more are answered with a smile.

Philadelphia: National Catholic Center, 157 North 15th Street, Benedict Hall. Here the game rooms are tops and the chairs are ½ mile deep.

Arena: Philadelphia, 46th and Market Streets. Wrestling every Friday under the promotion of Eddie Gottlieb and your uniform will admit you to the grunt and groaners. This is top-bracket wrestling and you will avail yourselves of the finest as you breeze into the Quaker City.

Or if you prefer Ice Hockey, the Arena on Saturday Nights, but you must procure tickets at the Hospitality Center (18 South 15th Street). Same goes for College Double Headers held at Convention Hall, held at 34th and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia Convention Hall. Tickets for these games may be had at the Hospitality Center also.

If ever you want information on any other city for service men—contact Mrs. S. S. Shattuck (Senior Hostess) or Miss Carlyn La Vonne Swank at the Service Club and they will be only too pleased to assist.



"Let's go kid. Between the two of us, we ought to be able to polish off that slant eye in short order."

LARGE SCALE ATHLETIC PROGRAM FOR 1942

A suggested program of athletics covering the calendar year has arrived from the War Department.

To achieve the full benefit from athletics, a varied and interesting program of sports should be provided within each command and designed to encourage the following objectives:

a. Maximum participation. Consideration should be given to the development of a program of sports among teams representing the various echelons of military organization to include the large units. Since individuals have different interests, such a program should offer a wide selection of events. The wider the selection, the greater the participation will be. Scheduled contests should be supervised by commissioned officers and suitable prizes awarded the final winners. Publicity should be given the participants, especially in home town newspapers.

b. Greater spectator interest. Active support and sympathetic attitude on the part of all officers toward the athletic program is essential in the full development of spectator interest.

c. Better public relations. Participation of military teams in athletic contests provide an opportunity for the witnessing public to acquire a closer interest in the Army.

It is to be understood that an athletic program is subordinate to prescribed training and must be confined to other than training hours.

Suggested Athletic Program for 1942

1. *Basketball:*

Each company group will conduct a tournament of platoon teams after which company teams will be organized. Each company group will compete in a regimental league in which each team plays all other teams once or twice, dependent on available facilities. Regimental champions will be determined by the team with the highest percentage. Each regiment will then select the best company players for a regimental team. In like manner, the special troop units will select a team. These teams will then compete in a divisional league for the divisional championship. Teams will play each other twice, with the team having the highest percentage being the winner.

Each division will then select a division team from the regimental players to compete in a tournament or in a league for the purpose of determining Field Army champions. Each Field Army will determine its championship team by the end of March.

2. *Boxing:*

Each company, special troops unit, battalion, regiment, and division will determine its champions, in each weight, by elimination in the order named.

Each Field Army will determine its champion in each weight by March 8, 1942.

If practicable, Field Army champions will be brought together to determine Army champions prior to the National A.A.U. tournament, in which case, Army champions may be entered as a team in the A.A.U. tournament.

3. *Volleyball:*

Volleyball will be conducted on the same basis as basketball except that official competition will end with division champions.

4. *Playground Baseball:*

Softball will be conducted on the same basis as basketball except that each team will play each other team four games.

Each Field Army will determine its championship team by August 31, 1942.

5. *Tennis:*

Each Field Army will determine its singles and doubles champions by elimination as outlined for boxing. Champions will be determined by August 31, 1942.

6. *Baseball:*

Baseball will be conducted on the same basis as playground baseball.

Each Field Army will determine its championship team by September 15, 1942.

7. *Football:*

Each Field Army will determine its championship division team by November 7, 1942.

Semifinals between Field Army champions will be held on November 21, 1942.

Finals will be played on the last Saturday in November or the first Saturday in December, 1942.

8. Suitable cups and awards have been offered to the War Department for presentation to all winning teams or individuals for Field Army or Army champions. Awards to unit champions will be provided by local commanders from available funds.

9. Other athletic contests recommended to insure maximum participation of personnel are: Six man football, soccer, wrestling, track and field, touch football, badminton, golf, horseshoes, handball and table tennis.

10. For special occasions, all-star, all-Army teams may be organized, in which case such teams and their schedules will be under direct supervision of the War Department.

11. Army service teams in the various sports are permitted to compete with recognized civilian teams upon approval of local commanders.

12. Harbor defense, Air Corps, Armored Force, and other units desiring to enter teams in the various schedules should compete in the Field Army schedule where a minimum of travel is required and will coordinate schedules with Field Army commanders.

13. The War Department, upon request, will furnish advice and assistance to Field Commanders on all or part of such program adopted.

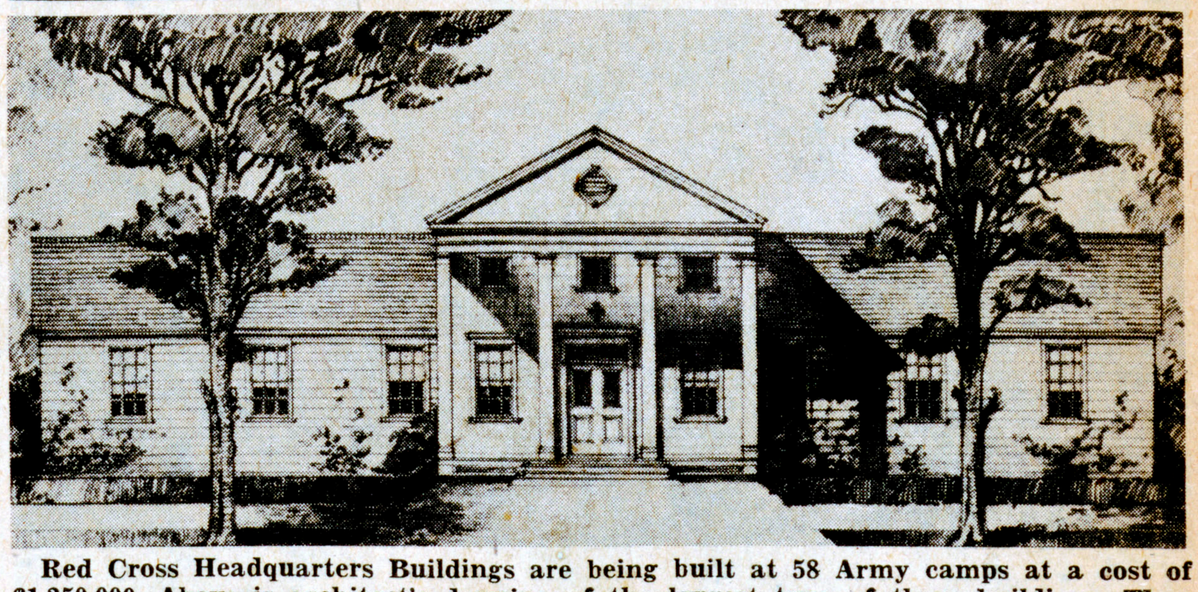
OFFICERS UNIFORMS

Hereafter the officer uniform to be worn during training hours will be woolen shirt and dark trousers. Black necktie will be worn. Boots or trousers with leggings may be worn out of doors. Field jackets or short overcoats may be worn out of doors. Field cap will be worn; during snow or rain campaign hat may be worn.

For evening mess at all times officers will wear coat with Sam Browne belt and drab (pink) trousers.

A raw recruit is a fellow who, when invited to a coed's home, and the light fuse blows out, spends the remainder of the evening trying to fix it.

—Rammer Jammer.



Red Cross Headquarters Buildings are being built at 58 Army camps at a cost of $1,250,000. Above is architect's drawing of the largest type of these buildings. They will be one-story structures conforming to the architectural plan of the individual camp. The building will contain offices, consultation rooms for the Red Cross Field Director and his staff, a reception room, a lecture room for classes in Red Cross First Aid and Home Nursing (the latter for wives of Army personnel) and living quarters for the Red Cross staff.

55TH INFANTRY BRIGADE

109TH INFANTRY

In these dire times it is sometimes difficult to say "Happy New Year" with complete sincerity and conviction. A cheery greeting requires a radiant smile of confidence and an outward show of optimism towards the things to come. Somehow this wasn't the feeling in this regiment over the holiday; but oddly enough the war didn't cause this general let-down feeling. No, the catch in our voices can be blamed on the announcement of the transfer of three of the finest old-timers, the climax of a series of losses among our officer personnel.

Major Charles S. Seamans II, Major Ernest F. Swingle, and Captain Alexander F. Conley have been, for innumberable years the backbone of a regiment that has attained the highest rating among fighting men. Their experience and leadership has been a huge factor in the success of this regiment. All three are veterans of World War 1 and what they learned then is knowledge which cannot be obtained in the finest military training schools. They realized the seriousness of our jobs and they conveyed this realization to us.

Now we must put the lessons to the acid test without the guidance of these officers. It will be a difficult task. Yet the job will be done. For what they have taught us will not be easily forgotten.

We can say with real spirit it will be a "Victorious New Year."

110TH INFANTRY

Private Theodore H. Savage, pinch-hitting for Private Charles Clemenson.

The regular editor of this column is home on his furlough in Waukegan, Illinois, birthplace of Jack Benny. His substitute apologizes for the scarcity of news in this week's column, and promises that the next column will be replete with news of who got what from whom, who went where and did what and statistics on the number of ties received from presents. What's new with the 110th? Well, there's the beautifully illuminated Christmas Tree on the hill above Headquarters. A crew, or rather several crews of men under direction of 2nd Lt. Wm. P. Rhoda, Morale Officer succeeded in bucking a wind of gale proportions to get the 30 foot tree firmly anchored. So there still stands our Christmas Tree glittering with lights and reflecting the spirit of the Regiment.

The Regiment was the recipient of several hundred books, the gift of the Bell Telephone Company. Each book has a sticker in it with this inscription "Presented by a friend in the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania to the armed forces of the United States." These books will be distributed to the various units in the Regiment and will be placed in the Recreation Rooms. After all, there's nothing like a good Ellery Queen blood curdler to make the winter evenings enjoyable. Instead of orchids, the editor says "A Citation to the Bell Telephone Co. of Penna."

During the past two weeks Lt. William P. Rhoda and his morale staff have compiled statistics on what the boys like to do. That is in the line of wholesome activities. Surprisingly enough, basketball and football are outranked by bowling and swimming as over 453 soldiers prefer bowling and 408 prefer swimming. Probably cold weather had something to do with the choice. Outside of athletics, dances, chess and checker clubs and mass singing were most popular. Among the surprising items was the amount of soldiers that were interested in a Regimental paper. The Morale officer, Lieutenant Rhoda has already swung out with a big dance for the boys, and with the aid of the energetic adjutant, Lieutenant Camp R. Piper, the boys should have a good time this winter.

Know Your Buddies: Introducing Technical Sergeant Charles A. McVehil a cultured, imperturable soldier. Sgt. McVehil is of the vintage of 1916, hails from Washington, Penna., and decorated glass-ware prior to induction into Federal service. Although Sgt. McVehil missed his calling as a radio announcer he manages to entertain the boys with a dynamic and exciting review of all the important football games of the past seasons. Whenever in a hurry to get anything done, look up Sgt. McVehil, and when you can't find him—get somebody else to do it.

SAM BROWNE BELT OPTIONAL FOR OFFICERS

Changes in regulations on wearing of officers' belts, effective only during the current emergency, have been announced by the War Department.

Under the new regulations, all commissioned officers except those of the Army Air Forces, will wear either the russet leather belt, M1921, with brass trimmings and single shoulder strap, or a cloth belt matching the coat in color and fabric. Officers of the Army Air Forces now wear a cloth belt.

The cloth belt shall be 1¾ inches in width and equipped with a removable, brass 1¾-inch tongueless bar buckle, and having a tapered end, which will pass through the buckle to the left, is to extend not more than 3 inches beyond the buckle, and be held in place by a cloth keeper ½-inch in width.

The cloth belt will be sewed around the waist line of the coat to a point approximately 2½ inches from the front edge of the coat on each side, covering the horizontal seam at the waistline of the coat, and the buckle will be centered over the bottom button of the coat when buttoned. This belt may be worn under the conditions for which the officers' belt, M1921, is prescribed.

The leather belt may be removed when on duty indoors.

Christmas party held by Service Co., 109th Infantry. A good time was had by all.

They played football at Shelby . .! Capt. James Robertson, former Princeton Athlete and coach of the 166th F. A. (P. N. G.) helps Pvt. Charles "Chuck" Croft, ex Geneva College star and brother of a Carnegie Tech All-American, finish his K. P. duties in order to report for practice. Team hung up excellent record.

103D MEDICAL

With the event of the festive New Year's holiday come news of festive events in the companies. Latest reports (confirmed!) added F, G and I to the list of merry makers, and "from an authoritative source," we learned that E Company had a holiday party of the highest calibre.

Our former Commanding Officer, Colonel Charles P. Stahr, is finding civilian life quite busy, having been named Co-ordinator of National Defense for Lancaster County.

Something to look forward to in the sports line—Lt. Bare, Regimental Morale Officer, is arranging to have the recreation hall put to use as a basketball court.

A hearty welcome from the 103rd Medical to Capt. Harold Rushbridge, recently transferred from the 107th FA Medical Detachment to our own Company H.

Our CO, Col. Hendricks, joined the ranks of those in his command on furlough and enjoyed a well deserved rest.

Adding his bit to the civilian war effort, Col. Duttenhoffer spoke over WGAL of Lancaster in behalf of the Red Cross.

One way of looking at it—Duties are tasks that we look forward to with distaste, perform with reluctance, and brag about ever after!

Company C

Travellers—Pvt. 1cl. Ralph Dynowski and Pvt. Charles E. Dziurzynski spent their furloughs with their families in Chicago, Ill.

Corp. Harry Everett is the proud father of a baby girl. Congratulations, Corporal, and many happy returns of the day.

A bouquet to Sgt. Wayne Smallcomb for a fine job of holiday decorating.

In the way of New Year's resolutions:

Hearts, like doors, will open with ease
To very, very little keys,
And don't forget that two of these
Are "I thank you" and "If you please."

Company F

Company F is bubbling over with party news. A combination coming out party for our new officer, Capt. Pershing, and celebration on the promotion of Lt. Reddig to a Captaincy was reason enough for a festive spirit in the outfit.

"Slick Dan" Lecovitch stole the show with his impersonations of the species "Inebriatus" of homo sapiens.

Company G

Company G came through the maneuvers with flying colors. An interesting sideline was the fire fighting activities of the outfit. Always prepared for emergencies, our steel helmeted men were called upon to fight a forest fire out in the field. With great speed, the fire was put out and the men returned to their duties.

We have a warm spot in our hearts for our baker, Pvt. Kolchins, who kept us amply supplied with doughnuts during the southern campaign.

Homecoming was celebrated with a big party for the company. Pvt. Bernstein acted as a very capable emcee, and entertainment was furnished by Pvt. 1cl. Blatt, Sgt. Stamm, Pvt. 1cl. Arcudi, Pvt. 1cl. Sabatine, and the regimental band. The singing of Christmas carols climaxed the gala affair.

Company H

Pvt. 1cl. Jim Longo acted as an impromptu Santa Claus waking up the boys to pass out a carload of bundles gathered by him from the folks back in Canonsburg. It was quite a Christmas gift having his P. A. system back too. Record playing comes back to its own in the company.

A sure bet—Pvt. Cipriani won't be playing checkers with "Cooper" Ladzinski for some time to come. It seems Cooper hesitates when making an important move, sometimes for half an hour!

Company I

The officers of the company pleasantly surprised the men with a party. Pvt. Harold Rogers drew the applause of the gang with his rug-cutting, while Corp. Weaver put the boys in an uproar with his songs.

A feeling of deep appreciation for our Navy cousins was brought home by the technicolor movies of St. Sgt. Lee Reddinger, taken during his service in the Pacific Fleet.

The lads are getting their noggins together in preparation for a black face minstrel show for the entertainment of their buddies. It will be the same show, written and directed by Pvt. Manuel Cohen, which proved to be a riot when produced at Camp Croft for the 33rd Training Battalion.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

ARMY SPEEDS TRAINING OF COOKS AND BAKERS

There are now about 50 Army Bakers and Cooks schools throughout the nine Corps Areas, the Quartermaster Corps announces, and they are turning out bakers, cooks, mess sergeants and mess officers with clock-like regularity. At a typical school, 5,648 students were graduated during the past year, compared with an average of 175 a year that had been graduated since the World War.

In general, courses have been revised to provide shorter and more intensive training. The mess officers' course has been cut to one month, and officer-students spend 40 hours in actual classroom work. Mess sergeants also complete their training in one month, but all the students in this course are already graduate cooks. Student bakers and cooks are put through a two months' course.

56TH INFANTRY BRIGADE

Headquarters Company

Major Joseph A. Lee, who has been the Brigade S-3 for the past several months was called to Wilmington, Delaware, for Special Duty with II Corps recently. His absence will be keenly felt by this Headquarters but we're confident that whatever duty may be assigned Major Lee, the job will be thoroughly and excellently completed.

The Holiday Spirit which has been hovering over Indiantown's Barracks since our return from the Carolinas, has not culminated with the passing of the BIG DAY. Seems like that joyous event has only strengthened our faith and understanding of our fellow soldiers.

Naturally, the portion of Headquarters Company, who were unable to be at home over the Holiday, had their own tree, and despite the warning of our Commanding Officer, Major William J. Blank, not to cut a hole in the roof of the recreation room to put up said tree, the boys did quite alright.

Our forces here at Indiantown were greatly augmented by the influx of visitors on Christmas and New Year's Day and the spirit prevailing among both civilians and soldiers alike made our first Yuletide in camp seem almost like Home Sweet Home. The kind remembrances and good will of those who were with us and aided in our celebration were and will be greatly appreciated by the boys of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 56th Brigade.

Our Sergeant Major, Richard Snyder, is well settled in his new-found marital bliss. The big event took place on Christmas Day and though circumstances prevented the Company's attendance at the affair, our minds were with him as he took the sacred vows. All our best wishes, Sarg may all your troubles be little ones.

Our commentator, Pvt. David J. Glatfelter, is keeping the entire Company well informed on the latest war developments. Keep the good work up, Dave!

111TH INFANTRY

With the advent of the new year we cannot help but pause a moment and reflect over the year that has wrought such a major change in all our lives. Little did we realize a year ago to what depths the world's nonsensities could plunge us. Also, little did we realize to what heights of true friendship and companionship, our year in the army could lift us. And now when we are divided, we find our temporary separation at this otherwise joyous season the true test of our sincerity toward those we love; our affection toward those of our homes blend with those we have grown to love in this year. Little can our families realize that in addition to our love for them, we have acquired a truly deep affection for those who have been, of necessity, so close to us in this period of army training.

Our recent call to active duty came as a welcome relief to the ever watchful "alert" under which we have strained since our return to Indiantown. Now is the time when this column comes into its true usefullness and meaning. Now is when we need news of you most, so that others can read of your doings as avidly as you devour your home newspaper. In order to accomplish this exchange of news of each other, we hope that you, as individuals, will send us amusing news bits of your friends and their doings. This alone, will make this column what you desire, so stop now and drop a line—be it ever so small to PFC Joe Barker, Med. Det., 111th Inf., c/o 108th FA Armory, Broad and Diamond Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

Our departure from the Gap was a cause for celebration because of the sudden end of the tension of our alert. The Medicos wish to thank their commanding officer, Major George W. Bland, and the officers of the 111th Inf. Med. Det. for their Xmas party on the eve of our departure. This is the first time the detachment has held a party and each individual appreciated this far too brief get-together before departure for various points.

We of the 111th wish to express our deep appreciation to our neighbors, and Brigade partners, the 112th Inf., for their tribute formal-guard-mount at retreat.

In addition, we thank Mrs. Shattuck and Miss Swank and the rest of the Service Club for their wonderful party and kind salute to us, on that final eve.

Our suggested New Year's resolution is that you drop us "the dope" on your company and we promise to relay it to the rest of the gang without "exposure" of "military secrets." Let us know your, and your friend's New Year's Resolutions, humorous or serious, and we will pass then on to our readers.

So, in closing we wish you the happiest and brightest of New Years.

"Dear Mon." A vestage of the Carolina maneuvers, showing pfc John Stabalsk, Co. B., 111th Infantry, writing upon one of the dining tables in Carolina.

112TH INFANTRY

Last week could be called, "the week of the big rumors." Never before have we had so many in so short a time. We have heard that we were going anywhere from Alaska to Pago-Pago, but at the moment of writing we are still snuggly in garrison.

The regiment put on a review in honor of Major Fredericks who is leaving us to assume command of the Harlington (Texas) Air Corps Gunnery School. Major Fredericks has played a long and honorable part in the affairs of the 112th, having served for over 20 years. He is the man who designed the regimental crest which we all so proudly wear. Major Fredericks will be missed by the entire regiment.

Thursday at the Post Service Club, a dance was held for the men of the 28th Division. Girls of Port Carbon were guests of the soldiers. Tickets were pro-rated among the various regiments. A six piece orchestra led by Ed. Kuhr of Lebanon provided the music as the Keystoners enjoyed the first results of their visit to Port Carbon, earlier in the season. Judging from what we saw, it seems a waste of money to hire a drummer for any Service Club dance. He is always on the side-lines while a long line of talented skin pounders each take their turn. This constant shifting makes for a variety of performance and adds interest to the orchestra.

Major James S. Williams, Division Morale Officer, has announced that the winter entertainment programe will be, broadly speaking, based on the expressed desires of the men. The only way to have the type of entertainment you want is to let your morale officer, Lieutenant Palger, know about it. Possibly a number of the men would like fencing, for example, but nothing is being done about it because their wishes have not been expressed. Tell Lt. Palger what you want and he will tell Major Williams. The wishes of the majority will, of course, govern, but any reasonable minority vote will receive careful consideration. There are a lot of men in this division. If you want what proves to be a minority sport in your own regiment, an effort will be made to connect you with fans from other regiments, so that almost any sport or entertainment should have free play. For instance, if you like to play chess but have not been able to find enough pardners, tell the Lieutenant. A Division chess club could be very easily arranged. Competition could be provided by regimental teams, the personnel of which would be uncovered by this survey.

If you are lazy, like your correspondent, and enjoy only the "spectator sport" of the vaudeville turns we had last winter, let the Lieutenant know and we will have some in the recreation hall. If, on the contrary, you are full of energy and want to produce a musical comedy, get in touch with Steve Cohan of Headquarters Detachment, 2d Bn. Steve has already been bending our ear with some of his lyrics. If you can sing, dance, play a musical instrument, etc., or have any of the social graces, get together with Steve and whip up a musical.

104TH CAVALRY

The 104th Cavalry boys have been devoting their "after working" hours to training for the Golden Gloves tournament in Harrisburg and with more than a score of candidates should bring to the regiment many pugilistic honors.

Jerry Wolk, who was recently named athletic director, has planned a program which will keep the boys well occupied in their spare moments. Aside from the boxing tournament Wolk and his assistants are organizing a basketball league which is expected to swing into action next week. It is also hoped to have a regimental team with tentative games now scheduled with the Harrisburg Police and Hershey Junior College.

There is a wealth of athletic material in the regiment and now that the recreation hall has been turned over to the boys for that purpose there is every reason to believe that the 104th will produce outstanding leaders in sports.

Wolk is not concentrating all his efforts on athletics. The other evening an informal dance was held and proved a decided success. It is hoped to have several dances each month and judging from the enthusiasm displayed the other evening the boys will welcome them with open arms.

Miss Faison Charlton, of Raleigh, N. C. who visited the 104th over the weekend was guest soloist at the Regimental services Sunday . . . Col. E. V. Stansbury has rejoined the regiment as instructor. Prior to returning to the 104th Col. Stansbury had been connected with Headquarters 1st Army, G-2 Section, Governor's Island

Base Camp Luxury—Co. H, 103d Medical Regiment

. . . The Regiment lost four more officers last week to increase the number to 21. All four will report to Mitchell Field, N. Y. They are: Lieut. Daniel Timmens, Service Troop; Lieut. Benjamin Frazier, Jr., Troop A; Lieut. William H. Ashton, Troop A; Lieut. Thomas J. Barnhardt, Troop E. . . . Lieut. Ralph G. Shank, who was recently transferred to Air Service Command, Wayne County Airport, was presented with a traveling bag by members of Headquarters 1st Squadron Detachment. Sgt. Ellsworth Price made the presentation . . . The third and final group of soldiers have departed on their furloughs which will end January 9th . . . The 104th Cavalry will be featured in the next issue of the Bell Telephone magazine . . . The weekly broadcasts over WHP each Monday evening from the regiment are meeting with decided approval . . . Records of the 104th Cavalry show countless soldiers listed as marksmen but it appears as though all have taken a back seat for a lad who never seems to miss his mark—You've heard of Dan Cupid. Well, he should soon run out of arrows at the rate he has been operating around here.

TEMPORARY PROMOTION POLICY

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these latter promotions will be made from among officers of the National Guard and Reserve Corps. Thereafter promotion by selection will be decentralized to field commanders who will be authorized to recommend promotion of officers of all components for a maximum of 60 percent of the position vacancies existing as of February 1, 1942. The remaining 40 percent of existing vacancies in each grade are held by the War Department to be filled by calling officers of those grades to active duty from the Reserve Corps and by transfers and reassignments to be made by the War Department from officers now on administrative duties.

SHIFTING DEARS

Bride Replaced on Highway 82.
—Headline in El Paso (Tex.) paper.

Capt. Norman A. Moore submits this picture taken as Co. C., 112th Infantry, crossed the Pee Dee river during Carolina Maneuvers.

53RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

107TH FIELD ART.

A deluge of Special Orders between the holidays has caused the departure of many officers and enlisted men for other organizations and stations. Coming all at once in the few days between the Christmas and New Years holidays these changes although necessitating some sad farewells were taken in a philosophical manner by the regiment. Heading the list of transfers are Lt. Col. John Nuckel, Commanding Officer who, in his wise leadership and warm human sympathy, has made a place for himself in the minds and hearts of his men and Lt. Col. Burleigh Peters our Chaplain who has sacrificed much to bring us stirring messages of faith from his experiences as a minister as well as a soldier. To his new post as Division Chaplain he carries our congratulations. To the other officers who have, or will in the future, leave us we extend our best wishes for continued success. Sgt. George Ruk, Medical Detachment, was well repaid for sacrificing his Christmas furlough in order to be on hand for any call in connection with his appointment to attend the Officers Candidate School. He received notice to report at the Carlisle Barracks Army Medical Post for enrollment in the Officers Training School Dec. 26.

There is nothing like a furlough to bring back the rosy side of Army life.

108TH FIELD ART.

Typing for all the men in the 108th Field Artillery, and this greeting goes to all the Officers and friends of this Philly outfit, A HAPPY NEW YEAR to one and all and may the most you wished for be the least you get! . . . Since the acquisition of many new faces from all portions of the U. S. A. our HAPPY BIRTHDAY list has likewise taken on new proportions . . . The column extends Natal Day Greetings to Sylvester Vavruska of Service and Ammunition Second; the Easy E's felicitate Louis Dillon, Joe Manchio, Otto Van Cleve and Valentine Siiniecisz; our Fightin' F's prepare the mistletoe for Earnest Danehower, Thomas Regan, Kelly Webb, Howard Webster and Howard Wise; a sextette of GOOS will be on the receiving end and the principals are Lyle Althouse, Jimmy Archer, Paul Bassett, George Cherry, Jimmy Freedman and Lem Oyler; the "Pills for all ills" department come thru with a clean suture in extending the firm handclasp to Ralph Hardke and Freddy Piacentino; the Initial Service unit do things in fives by wishing Happy Days to Merlin Baker, Charley Haag, William Kelly, Joseph Oullette, and Bobby Parker; Headquarters One counters with a quintet all it's own in the personages of Cecil Allen, Ralph Rapino, Morris Schwartz, Eugene Butler (Last Day of the year Baby) and Armand Robbins (A New Year Arrival); the Regimentals, not to be outdone have five to felicitate—Johnny Conlon, Edgar Jones, William Morris, Johnny Papuga and Thomas "Hotcakes" Sassos; we remember the anti-tankers by preparing the cake for

SONG OF THE MEDICS

(Tune, 28th Div. Marching Song)

Rise up, you sick you lame and lazy,
When you hear them blow sick call,
Say "Ah," now stick out your tongue,
Take an X-ray of your lung,
Sit in the G.I. Dental chair,
And let them banish all decay,
Rise, shine, straighten up your spine,
In the 28th Division,
Look at my Incision
28th Division Way . . .!

Pvt. Robert Jakob,
H.Q. Co., Special Troops

Dominic Gughelmi, Ernie Battelle, Charley Martin, Alex Romanchik, Rocco Marino and Johnny Farley; the Almighty A's present a singleton in Georgie Clark; the Sharp and Flat Department has Nick Criniti down for a special chorus of "Happy Birthday"; Headquarters Second and the trio of Robert Chubb, Tommy Giordano and Johnny Poehlmann come to the fore for the glad hand . . . A record hard to tie: The GOOS have TWENTY states represented in it's khaki representatives and Corporal Reilley will prove it to anyone at the drop of the barracks cap . . . Headquarters First wishes to take this opportunity to thank Mr. J. L. Wilmsen for his contribution of the Christmas Tree that practically filled the Recreation Room! . . . The corking photo in the lower right is that of Private F. A. Steinmetz taken 19 years ago. He was then a member of Service Battery and the vehicle was under his personal care for Colonel March. Now Steinmetz is a Sergeant and doing a fine job with the victuals for the Regimentals.

Every empty beer can that you return to the PX counter-man helps make thermometers for the planes now being built by Uncle Sam. So don't toss the empty into the waste can, but return it to the man behind the counter and keep 'em flying!

A vote of thanks to Wayne Rohland, Superintendent of the P. O. for inviting men-in-khaki to his home in Annville for Xmas and New Years Dinners. . . . Corporal Dauphinee of the Commanding C's substitutes for the bugler in the early AM when the trumpets freeze.

In the engaged Category: Ray Bender of the Fightin' F's and his chicklet Betty Townsend. This column wishes both the most of the best. . . . Tommy Fontana is developing a good left hand by practicing on the coal-bins! . . . An accolade to the Batteries who decorated their respective Recreation Rooms with Holly, Boughs, gay Christmas Colors to all that touch of the all-important holiday! . . . A smart Sunday Salute to Captain Raymond Merenda who was transferred to Maxwell Field, Alabama. He has sixteen years of Artillery experience with the 108th F A . . . Ditto to Captain Francis J. McNamara who left Battery C to go to Texas (also Air-Corps). Captain McNamara celebrated his silver anniversary recently in point of service with this distinguished Regiment. THE GUARDSMAN is sorry to see these officers go, but happy in the knowledge that they will continue their excellent work in the air corps field.

Sergeant Edward Mason just left for Fort Sill to get more detailed information on Motors and the F's know he will return the wiser . . . Our PX is under the management of Walter Keefauver and his trusty aids include Wilfred "Gus" Lucas, Chester Gray, Kaz Zabrodski, Johnn "Curley" O'Donnell and "Lover" D'Ambrosio. A better or more conscientious combination cannot be found . . . The 108th F A comes thru again! Recently Clark's (Candy Bar Corp.) came to I. G. M. R and broadcasted from the Service Unit. The high spot of the coast-to-coast program was the local soldier talent contest. Our own Smilin' handsome, lonesome, winsome Larry Weller won in a walk with his guitar! The packed house applauded vociferously as he finished singing "Tumbleweeds" and the $25 was handed to our boy by Announcer Ben Grauer. Larry immediately invested in a treat and invited all the boys down to the Rec. Room on Xmas Afternoon to share same. Great Lad, this Larry! . . . Oh, almost forgot—he is a member of the Easy E's . . . A diamond in the rough was discovered in the cartooning talents of Sergeant Arnold Haggerty of the S and A ones. If you care to encourage Haggerty, just submit the ideas and he will do his level cartooning best to make the finished pic conform to the idea submitted . . . Did you boys notice the free cigarettes and candy handed out by the Reading Vets as we passed thru? . . . William Rice is doing a nice bit of work at Camp Holabird, Maryland and the S and A 2's are proud of the lad . . . Frank Fogg can fix any 10 ton truck with 2 hairpins and a match! . . . A good one to put in your little blue book—"It isn't the size of the dog in the fight but the size of the fight in the dog that counts!"

103D QUARTERMASTER

Well the holiday season is here and gone. The boys of the Quartermaster Regiment were busy as usual during the days preceding the holiday. Our motto, "Service Always" means working at our job 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The issue of the good food consumed on December 25, and all the time, is the job of this regiment. The Division Quartermaster and his staff of Capt. Hertzler, Lt. Loy and the enlisted men of Service Company certainly deserve an additional holiday for themselves for their work in the handling of Class I Supplies—Food.

Due to the outbreak of War, there is a demand for Quartermaster officers at Air Corps bases, etc. We are proud to learn that officers from this regiment are in demand by the War Department, but it is with deep regret that we lose them. Capt. George Ritter, our erstwhile S-2 and S-3 officer has been transferred to the First Interceptor Command, Mitchell Field, L. I. and Lt. Robert E. Myers has been appointed to his post. Lt. Glenn A. H. Deibert, of our Medical Detachment has been transferred to Service Command, Third Corps Area, and assigned to Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Lt. Deibert a motion picture enthusiast has reels and reels of the Carolina Maneuvers.

Pvt. Goldberg, newly wed of Hq. Co., has returned to duty after a honeymoon in the hospital for five weeks. Lt. Haring was finally released from the hospital when he was summoned to appear before the Promotion Board.

On our return from maneuvers we found that our PX was being managed by the 1325th Service Unit with new employees. At first they seemed strange, but not for long, as Mr. Martin, the manager, is formerly from Gettysburg and before long he knew all the boys from Co. E, the Gettysburg Company.

Some time ago we told about the little side bet Sgt. Kirkpatrick had with Sgt. Mumma in regard to "a boy or Girl". Well, Sgt. Mumma was back to town over the holiday and caught up with Sgt. Kirkpatrick and he paid the bet. Kirk is reconciled to the fact that a girl is good material for the ANC.

Mstr. Sgt. Joseph Cirillo, Hq. Co. has been detailed to attend the enlisted man's school on QM Administration at Camp Lee, Va. beginning January 2.

Major Biscoe, II Army Corps has been conducting a mechanical inspection of the division vehicles and has been using the new light maintenance garage. The men of Co. E have been looking forward for a long time to a new garage, but now that they have secured adequate housing facilities they are wondering about the installation of a shuttle system between the barracks and the garage or, during the cold weather, a coffee truck.

103D ENGINEERS

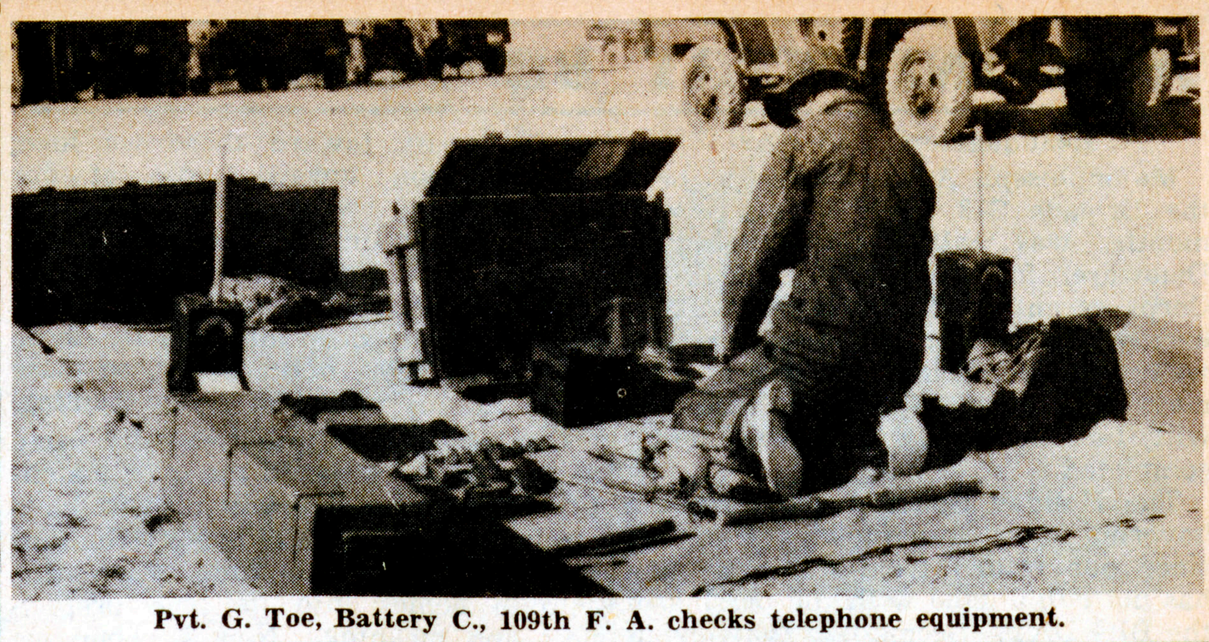
"Sergeant" Pop Day who for fifteen years was supply Sergeant of Company F sends word along that he is recovering rapidly from a serious automoble accident encountered during the past summer. Pop resigned from active duty just before induction.

He also wishes to thank all those who sent him cards of convalescent greetings.

HAPPY NEW YEAR to everybody from the Combat Engineers!

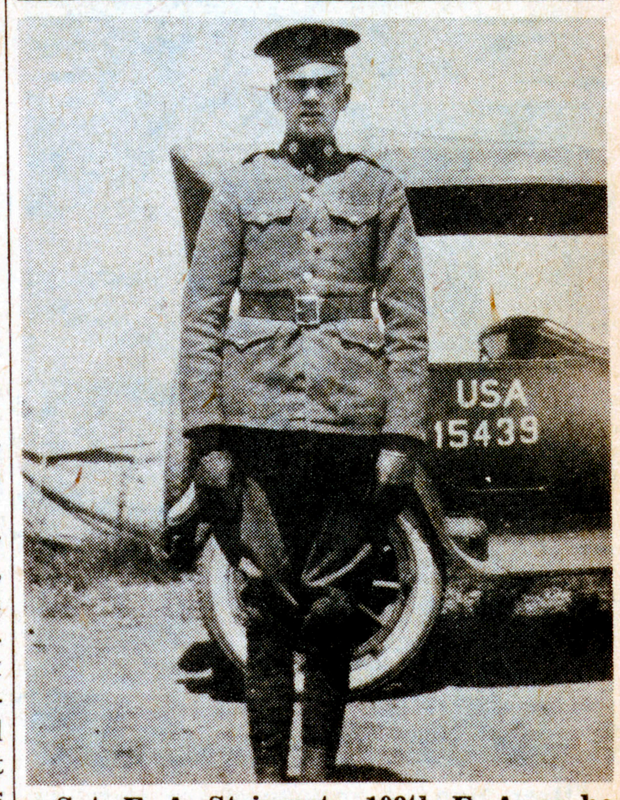
The other day an ex-soldier expressed an opinion of what the war will be like.

"It will be terrible," he said. "The safest place will be in the army, and the soldiers will spend their spare time knitting comforts for the harassed civilian population."



Pvt. G. Toe, Battery C., 109th F. A. checks telephone equipment.

Stf. Sgt. S. Ward, Battery A., 109th F. A. displays a perfect bunk, prior to packing for return trip to the Gap.



Sgt. F. A. Steinmetz, 108th F. A. as he appeared at Tobyhanna, 1922. At that time he was chauffeur for Col. March. Still serving with 108th.

Want a date . .? Pvt. Wilbur "Tiny" Minor, of Chambersburg, Pa., member of 166th F. A. at Camp Shelby, Miss., selects the name of his date from a box offered him by Sgt. Harold Peck. Others await their turn, with keen expectency.

805TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION,
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MD.

At last faint fingers of light are beginning to pierce the almost impenetratable cloud of work that has and is still hovering over this battalion. Returning from their maneuvers in the Carolinas, work was immediately begun on making checks of clothing and equipment and substantiating these with the necessary Report of Surveys, Statement of Charges, and Requisitions. To add to this the denouncement of one of our many latrino-grams was reached. By orders from the War Department, we, the 105th Infantry Antitank Battalion, were redesignated and reorganized into the 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion, (Heavy); this, necessitating much administrative work.

While in the Carolinas this battalion, attached to a Tank Attacker organization, performed with almost flawless perfection. Being commended by General Drum, personally, was one distinctive fact that made the battalion strive for more honor and glory. Other high ranking officers and officials viewing the maneuvers passed constructive criticism upon the smoothness and rapidity by which the gun companies limbered and unlimbered their guns. The camouflaging was near excellent.

One gun of Company A, manned by Staff Sergeant Lamar "Pop" Hahn, Corporal Don Rishe, and Cooks Plesenski and Bartholomew, held up a division for three and a half hours, accounting for seven tanks and four half tracks before being ruled out of action. The column of tanks feared more guns due to the fine concealment of this one gun.

The battalion can be proud of the fact that not one of our gun companies were exposed to aerial bombardment and our columns moved with such swiftness and silence that they were never once straffed by enemy dive bombers.

This battalion, although a defensive unit, gained reputation in being able to take the offensive in situations necessitating such action. Company "C," under the able command of Captain Robert R. Stormer, took the initiative and captured a small, but strategic, town in South Carolina driving the enemy into the hands of a Blue division with resultant "annihilation." Captain Stormer and his aides received much commendation upon the way the attack was launched, the secretativeness of it, and the swiftness with which it struck. The company had perfect communication at all times during the attack.

Then, on the 11th day of November, this battalion cast its hand into one of the greatest peace-time maneuvers in the history of the United States. Just 23 years after the armistice of World War I, the First Army and Fourth Army engaged in a mock struggle for positions in the Carolinas. The battalion functioned well and never once was forced to retreat or quite battle due to losses substained.

The battalion returned from Carolina with a few less boys due to discharges. But not all was a loss, because stray animals were brought back to help swell the ranks. In the booty can be listed dogs, cats, rabbits, and two goats. The most unique is the two goats belonging to Headquarters Company. Whether their enlistment was voluntarily or selected is not known, but they are adapting themselves very readily to the colder climate of Maryland.

Promotions and reductions became effective on return. 1st Sgt. Gilbert M. Goodyear, was promoted to Master Sergeant; Staff Sergeant John Rahter to be First Sergeant; Sergeant Harold E. Hench to be Technical Sergeant. These promotions were in Headquarters Company. In Company B, Corporal Michael Pusa was promoted to Staff Sergeant.

Sergeant Charles A. Butler Jr. of 513 So. 48th Street, Philadelphia, was discharged from his duties with Battery "A" of the 166th. Field Artillery, a Pennsylvania regiment commanded by Brenton G. Wallace, in order that he might accept his recent appointment to the United States Air Corps as a Flying Cadet.

Sgt. Butler was the first candidate to be accepted by the examining board in the New Orleans district and was honored at a dinner afterwards. At a local radio interview he was presented with many gifts from New Orleans merchants.

After attending West Philadelphia High School and Virginia Military Institute, Butler enlisted in Troop "A", 104th. Cavalry, Pennsylvania National Guard in May 1940, which later became Battery "A", 166th. Field Artillery prior to its mobilization in January. He will report to Ballinger Field, Texas.

Scotch Gent: "My lad, are you to be my caddie?"

Caddie: "Yes, sir."

Scotch: "And how are you at finding lost balls?"

Caddie: "Very good, sir."

S. Gent: "Well, look around and find one and we'll start the game."

The tombstone of a genial host bears his name and the simple epitaph: "This is on me."

CORNER ON CORN

"How about a date?"

"Indeed no!"

"Oh, I don't mean now. Some nasty wet afternoon when there's nobody else in town."

—Gargoyle.

Little Jimmy had acquired the habit of profanity somewhere in the course of his education, and was fluently adept at it around the house. His parents frowned on that sort of thing in a child of six, and when appeals to better nature had failed, they issued an ultimatum. No more swearing this week, or Jimmy couldn't go to his cousin's birthday party on Saturday.

Jimmy chalked up a perfect record, didn't slip once, and on Saturday he dressed up in his blue suit and bow tie and went gaily off, visions of ice cream and cake swimming in his head. Ten minutes later he was back, and in a bad mood. His mother sought the source of the trouble. Jimmy was brief. "Damn party was last week."

—Wake Forest Student.

Clerk: "Yes, sir, that medicine sure is powerful. Best stuff we have for the liver. Make ya peppy."

Customer: "Well, can you give me any specific reference—I mean people or a person who has taken said medicine with good results?"

Clerk: "Well there was an old man living next to us who took this liver medicine with good results."

Customer. "Does it help him?"

Clerk. "He died last week."

Customer: "Oh, I see."

Clerk: "But they had to beat his liver with a stick for three days after he died before they could kill it."

—Show Me.

"Do you mean to tell me," the judge said, "that you murdered that poor old woman for a paltry three dollars?"

"Well, judge, you know how it is. Three bucks here, three bucks there—it soon mounts up."

—Jack-o-Lantern.

"Are you the girl who took my order?" asked the impatient gentleman in the cafe.

"Yes, sir," replied the waitress politely.

"Well. I'll be damned," he remarked, "you don't look a day older."

"What were you doing outside the Waldorf-Astoria?"

"I live there."

"Where?"

"Outside the Waldorf-Astoria."

—Purple Cow.

Medieval Mother: "Hast Sir Knight yet asked thee for thy hand in wedlock?"

Daughter: "Not yet, mother, but my Knight is young."

—Analyst.

"Ah, dear me, things aren't what they used to be," sighed old Grannie, discussing the younger generation. "Why about the only time a modern mother puts her foot down is when the light turns green."

"Now Bobby," the teacher said, "tell me where the elephant is found."

The boy hesitated for a moment, then his face lit up.

"The elephant," he said, "is such a large animal it is scarcely ever lost."

The chinese cook was walking through the woods one day when he heard a branch snap behind him. Turning, he saw a huge grizzly bear smelling of his tracks. "You likee my tracks?" he exclaimed, "Velly good, I makee some more velly quick."

CITIZENS COMMITTEE RELIEVED OF ARMY RESPONSIBILITIES

The special need for its services having ended, the Citizens Committee for the Army and Navy, Inc. has been relieved of its responsibility of coordinating offers of materials and services for the welfare and recreation of troops in camp, the War Department has announced.

Functions formerly fulfilled by the Citizens Committee relating to entertainment of the troops have been transferred to Camp Shows, Inc.

The order withdrawing the official designation of the Citizens Committee as the coordinating agency explained that organization of welfare and recreation programs by the Army and Navy now has been developed to the point where the services can carry on.

Decision to relieve the Citizens Committee was reached by the War and Navy Departments after very careful consideration of all the factors involved.

From private to general, these Veterans of Past Wars were honored recently at Camp Shelby. They are members of the 73rd Field Artillery Brigade Fifth Army Corps troops commanded by Brigadier General William A. March and the brigade's subsequent regiment, the 190th Field Artillery under the command of Colonel Samuel B. Wolfe.

The veterans who are ready for the new fight for freedom are, left to right, front row: General March, Colonel Wolfe, Lieutenant Colonel Nicholas J. Sepp, 109th executive officer.

The following are all members of the 190th F. A., 2nd row: Major Stanley V. Wilcox, chaplain; Major Frank S. Buchanan, regimental adjutant; Captain Clayton H. Shunk, commanding Battery C; Captain Charles D. Stoops, commanding Battery E.

3rd row: Sergeant Edward F. Smith, and Staff Sergeant Paul F. Kreighbaum, 1st Service Battery; Master Sergeant Arthur Hesford, regimental sergeant-major; Sergeant Paul C. Fanning, Battery B; Technical Sergeant Luther A. Stamm, Warrant Officer H. K. Barnhart, bandmaster, and Staff Sergeant Charles F. Kniss of the 190th Regimental Band.

Private Charles T. Barner, Battery B, also a war veteran, was on furlough when this picture was taken.

OFFICERS TRANSFERRED

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Captain Homer E. Stevens, 110th Infantry.

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2nd Lt. Francis W. Zabicki, 111th Infantry.

2nd Lt. Aloysius G. Casey, 109th Infantry.

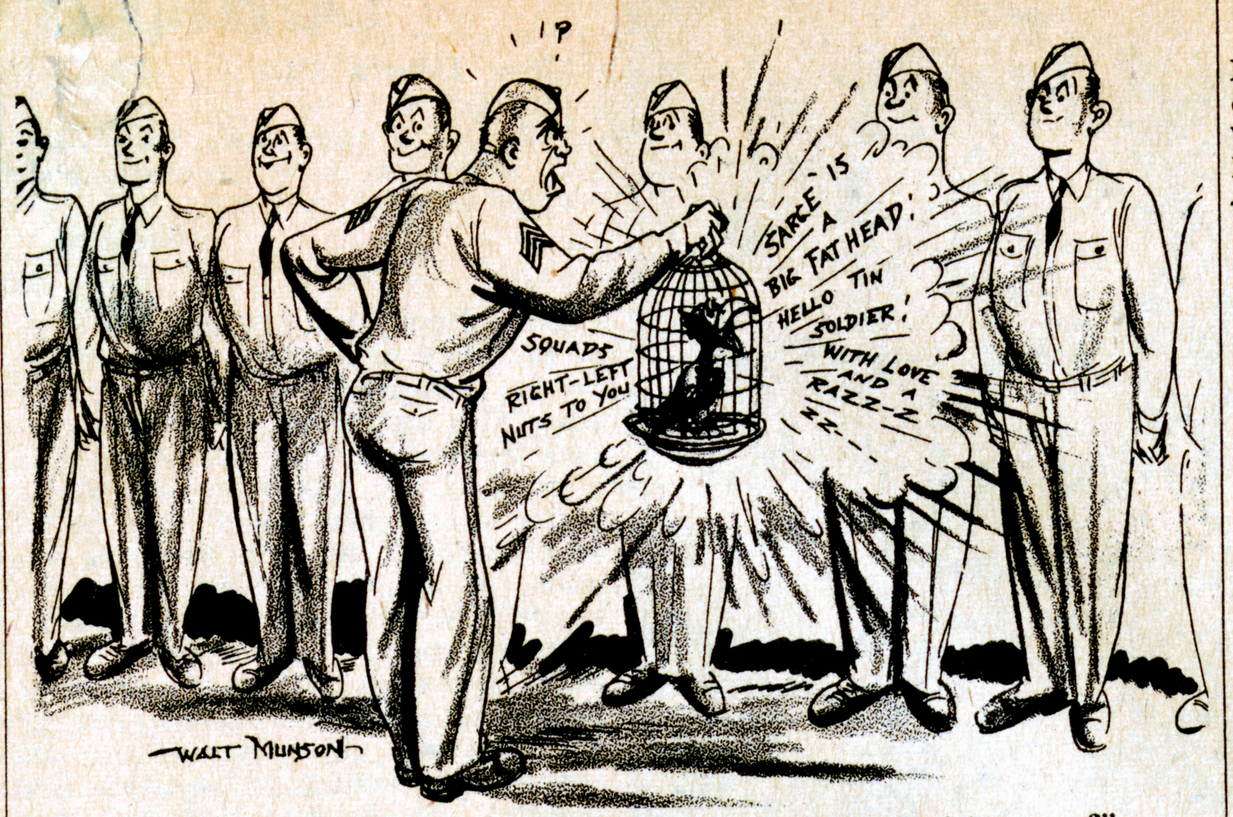
2nd Lt. Lester C. Davis, 110th Infantry.

2nd Lt. Cyril T. Hollenback, 110th Infantry.

First Lady: "Is your husband a member of a secret society?"

Second Lady: "He thinks so, but he talks in his sleep."

From the Ground Up. Pvt. V. Bard, Pfc. J. Goldberg, Corp. G. Geller, St. Sgt, J. Gwynn, Master Sgt. G. Lescallette (standing) All members, 103rd Q. M.



"Aw-right . .! Who's the wise guy wot sent me dis for Christmas . . ?"

RETIRED ARMY MAJOR, 82 YEARS OF AGE ASKS ORDERS FOR ACTIVE DUTY IN EMERGENCY

Major General Emory S. Adams, The Adjutant General of the Army, has written the following letter to Major Charles Pinckney Elliott, U.S.A., retired, of Beaufort, South Carolina, who requested orders for active duty following the entrance of the United States into war:

"Your recent letter offering your services to the War Department during this emergency has been brought to my attention.

"I note that you will pass your eighty-second birthday on March 15, 1942, and that you were retired on July 9, 1898, for disability in line of duty, but subsequently served four tours of active duty during the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, the Mexican Border Mobilization, and World War I; and that during your active service you were thrice commended for exceptional duty—for service in operations against hostile Indians in Arizona and Mexico during the Summer of 1885, as published by General Order 41, April 20, 1891; for the rescue of a snow-bound party of hunters in December, 1893; and for the rescue of a party of civilians lost in the Bitter Root Mountains, Idaho, as published in General Order 59, November 10, 1894.

"This is a record of which you may well be proud and, although I do not believe it will be necessary to place you on active duty during this crisis, I wish to assure you personally that your patriotic offer to serve your country again is deeply appreciated."

A man bought the only remaining sleeping car space. An old lady next to him in line burst into tears, wailing that it was of vital importance that she have a berth on that train. Gallantly the man sold her his ticket, and then strolled to the telegraph office. His message read:

"Will not arrive until tomorrow. Gave berth to an old lady just now."

—Show Me.

THE "HELLZAPOPPIN" INCIDENT

Quickly recovering from their first tinge of disappointment in not seeing the stage production "Hellzapoppin" last Sunday night, the soldiers of the 28th Division, 104th Cavalry and the 1325th Service Unit sat back to enjoy two amateur variety shows hustled together swiftly by Miss Virginia Davis of Philadelphia in lieu of the famed stage production cancelled at the last minute.

According to Mrs. Meyer Davis, working with the Emergency Aid of Pennsylvania, "Hellzapoppin" or some portion of it may possibly be routed to Indiantown Gap later on, providing a War Department Theater can be made available.

The two shows presented in the 109th Infantry and the 107th Field Artillery Recreation Halls bloomed with youthful color, song and music. Musicians from well known orchestras accompanied both shows.

SGT. REIFF TAKES A BRIDE

Of interest to members of Special Troops, was the marriage of Technical Sergeant Harry W. Reiff, Jr., of 205 Monroe Ave., Wenonah, N. J. This was the first ceremony to be performed in the new Special Troops chapel. The bride, formerly Miss Helen Putman of Germantown was given away by her father in the nuptials performed by Chaplain Freidenburg, 1st Lt. of Special Troops. Organ music made a charming background for the service and the couple walked from the chapel under a special guard of honor, furnished by members of Special Troops. Watching the pair leave the chapel under flashing bayonets of the guard, were Col. and Mrs. Lewis F. Acker and members of Special Troops who attended the event. Best man for the groom was Master Sergeant Steve Reilly of West Chester, Pa. Sergeant Reiff serves in the capacity of section chief in the G-4 office.

Sing this to the tune of "Long, Long Trail"—

There's a long, long convoy rolling
Back to our camp in the Gap
Where there's hot water waiting
And a soft place to nap .

We have come from Carolina
Where we maneuvered for G H Q
There's a long, long convoy rolling
And it's heading home to you!

By SERGEANT GREER and P F C LESLIE
Battery B 108 F A

To the tune of "Loch Lomond"—

Oh, you take Route 15 and we'll take Route 1
And we'll be in A P Hill afore you
But we and our outfits will never meet again
On the dusty, dusty roads of Carolina!

By the same men as above.

"SCOOP" ENGEL DESERTS

William "Scoop" Engel, the 28th Division's No. 1 press booster, and frequent contributor to THE PENNSYLVANIA GUARDSMAN, left for Pittsburgh, Pa., to take up an assignment in the city offices of the *Pittsburgh Press.*

Mr. Engel has covered the activities of the Iron Division since induction last February, first for a Harrisburg paper, later for the *Press.*

As part of his job, Engel religiously followed all movements of the 28th's men, soldiering with them in Virginia and in the Carolinas, and sharing their triumphs and defeats as well as keeping the folks of Western Pennsylvania informed of the "doings" of their boys in camp.

Engel, a resident of Sewickley, Pa., is a graduate of Penn State, class of '40. His new reportorial assignment in Pittsburgh, will, we understand, keep him in touch with the subject he had come to love so much—military activities.

His numerous friends and acquaintances, while regretting the loss of his fine association, wish Bill the best of luck in his new venture.

ARMY BOOKLET ANSWERS SELECTEES' QUESTIONS

In the foreword to an informational booklet now being issued by the Army to all selectees at the time when they get their call, President Roosevelt says:

"In the military service, Americans from all walks of life, rich and poor, country-bred and city raised, farmer, student, manual laborer and white collar worker, will learn to live side by side, to depend upon each other in military drills and maneuvers, and to appreciate each other's dignity as American citizens."

The booklet, entitled "The Army and You," is designed to answer, in simple, factual style, the dozens of questions that selectees and their families have been asking. Topics dealt with are: "Military Courtesy", "Your Health and Your Equipment Must Be Well Cared For", "Good Food—And Plenty Of It", "The Chaplain Is The Friend Of Every Soldier", "Promotion Rewards Duty Well Done", "The Induction Station", "The Reception Center", "Classification And Assignment", "Your Family Is Kept Informed Of Your Progress", and "The Replacement Training Center."

U.S.O. OPENS CENTER IN READING

The local U.S.O. Committee of Reading, Pa., announces the opening of the Service Men's Center at the Y.M.C.A. Building, Reed and Washington Streets, Reading, Pa. There is a club room, open from 11:00 A.M. until 9:00 P.M. every day in the week with a hostess in attendance. This club room may be used for reading, writing or to listen to the radio. There is also a list of families anxious to entertain service men either overnight, for the week-end, or just a meal. Most of these homes will take two or three men at a time. You are cordially invited to take advantage of these facilities.

An Associated Press dispatch came to our attention recently, and we thought it was funny enough to pass along. Add a little draft drama.

A nostalgic trainee at the field artillery replacement training center was relaying firing commands for 75mm. guns when the order came over the telephone, "Range, 4000."

Still thinking of home, the trainee relayed a home town telephone number, "Range 8192." Now the government is defendant in a suit for three turkeys, one cow and a silo.

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HERE AND THERE

The opening of War Department Theatres 3 and 4 Sunday night was a howling success, thanks to Bob Hope and Company for their super-funny performance in "Nothing But the Truth." Crowds jammed both houses which are located near the 109th Infantry and Artillery areas, respectively.

There were some sad faces when the boys were recalled from their furloughs last Sunday, but we know from experience that there was no self-sympathy involved. Just tough to leave the folks, that's all. But we notice that quite a few wives and gal friends were around to put some cheer in the atmosphere.

New Year's Day was a holiday to most persons in the U. S. A. but to Indiantown Gappers it was just another working day. Col. B. C. Jones, Chief of Staff, notified all units of the command that regular hours of duty were required of all military and civilian personnel on the post. Some of the outfits rung in the new baby with a bristling road march.

Inclement weather forced postponement of the scheduled stage production, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," last Sunday in War Department Theatre No. 3—to the regret of many soldiers. The Woolcott masterpiece, which enjoyed sensational runs on Broadway, was to have been put on by Easton Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. players, in cooperation with the U.S.O. of that city.

ARMY FINANCE SCHOOL TO MOVE TO FORT BENJAMIN HARRISON

Transfer of the Army Finance School from Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Baltimore, Maryland, to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and the establishment there of a Finance Department Replacement Training Center has been announced by the War Department. The transfer will be completed as soon as practicable.

The new location will enable the Finance School to expand its facilities to meet greatly increased demands, officials explained. It is expected that

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UNIT REPORTERS PLEASE NOTE:

Deadline for the new monthly Issue of the PENNSYLVANIA GUARDSMAN will be February 1st. This will insure publication in the February Issue. Naturally, if you can arrange to send copy earlier, please do so; it will help the production schedule. Send all material to PENNSYLVANIA GUARDSMAN, Telegraph Press, N. Cameron St., Harrisburg, Penna. Keep your organization in print every month. If you're too busy to write your column, notify your S-2 and he'll appoint a substitute. Remember, the monthly edition will be more permanent and writers are asked to submit material accordingly.

MAJOR GENERAL EDWARD MARTIN

Born in Pennsylvania, September 18, 1879.
B. A.—Colgate—1901.
LLD—Washington & Jefferson—1938.
LLD—University of Pennsylvania—1941.
Admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar—1903.
Retired from the Bar—1921.

Has held every rank in the Army from Buck Private to Major General. Enlisted as Pvt. in the 10th Pennsylvania Volunteers Infantry, May 9, 1898; appoined Cpl., August 1, 1898; Sgt. August 1, 1899; Mustered out of Federal Service August 22, 1899.

Became 1st Lt., January 4, 1901; Captain, July 6, 1905; Major, July, 1910; Lt. Colonel, September 5, 1918; Colonel, October 16, 1919; Brig. General, August 22, 1922; Major General, June 26, 1939. Served in the Philippine Insurrection Spanish American War, from July 17, 1898 to July 1, 1899.

Has commanded the 2nd Bn., 110th Infantry, 110th Infantry Regiment; 55th Brigade; as well as the 28th Division. Appears on the Initial General Staff eligibility list.

Served as:
- Auditor General of State of Pennsylvania,—1925-1929.
- State Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania, 1929-1933.
- Adjutant General of the State of Pennsylvania,—January 17, 1939, until inducted into Federal Service, February 17, 1941.
- Chairman of State Republican Committee—1928-1934.
- Delegate to National Republican Convention—1924, 1932, 1936, 1940.

President of:
- Dunmore Oil & Gas Co., Washington, Pa.
- Consumers Fuel Co., Washington, Pa.
- Citizen's National Bank, Washington, Pa.
- Charteers Discount Co., Washington, Pa.

Director of Washington County Fire Insurance Co.
33rd Degree Mason.
An elder of the Presbyterian Church.
World War:
- Received Distinguished Service Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster.
- Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster.

National Guard:
- Received Reilly Long Service Medal—Pennsylvania National Guard.

The Yanks are Coming .....! "Let's Go Gang," yell members of the 111th Infantry as they prepare to climb aboard convoy for journey.

BRIG. GENERAL ORD RETURNS TO 28TH

Brigadier General J. Garesche Ord, First Division, Ft. Devens, Mass., reported for duty with the 28th Division at Indiantown Gap this week.

In General Ord, the Iron Division receives a man who has achieved many outstanding accomplishments during his varied Army career. He served with distinction in the first World War and has held numerous assignments in the service throughout the country. He formerly served as Senior Instructor for the 28th Division and his numerous friends welcome his return to the Red Keystone outfit.

Born in Colorado on October 18, 1886, General Ord decided to make the Army his life work when he was still in his 'teens, and in 1909 he was graduated from the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. He has specialized in Infantry, and was graduated with honors from all of the important Service Schools of Uncle Sam.

In 1922, he completed the Infantry and Field Officers Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. Two years later, he won honors at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In 1929, he was graduated from the Army War College, Washington, D. C.

General Ord returns to the 28th Division with a brilliant military background, well equipped to guide the Iron Troops in their latest war-time destiny.

APPOINTED TO ANNAPOLIS

Major John J. Borbidge, Jr., recently transferred to the Air Corps from the 103rd Engineers Regiment, is a happy man today. His son, John J. Borbidge III has just received his appointment to the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. and will enter the school in July.

Young Borbidge is now pursuing his course of studies at the Univ. of Idaho, and has just returned to that institution after a grand and glorious furlough. He passed the entrance examination to the Naval Academy with an average of 96%.

The name of Borbidge has been on the Service Rolls of the United States ever since Major Borbidge's grandfather made an outstanding name for himself as an Army Major during the Civil War.

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We are in position to furnish a few bound volumes to include all of the weekly issues of THE PENNSYLVANIA GUARDSMAN from their inception 'til this issue of Jan. 10, 1942 (final weekly issue). The volume will be bound in "Infantry Blue" cloth and appropriately lettered in gold. The price of the volume will be $10 which is considered very reasonable in view of the fact that their preparation is entirely hand work. The number available is very limited. If you desire a copy, order immediately from:

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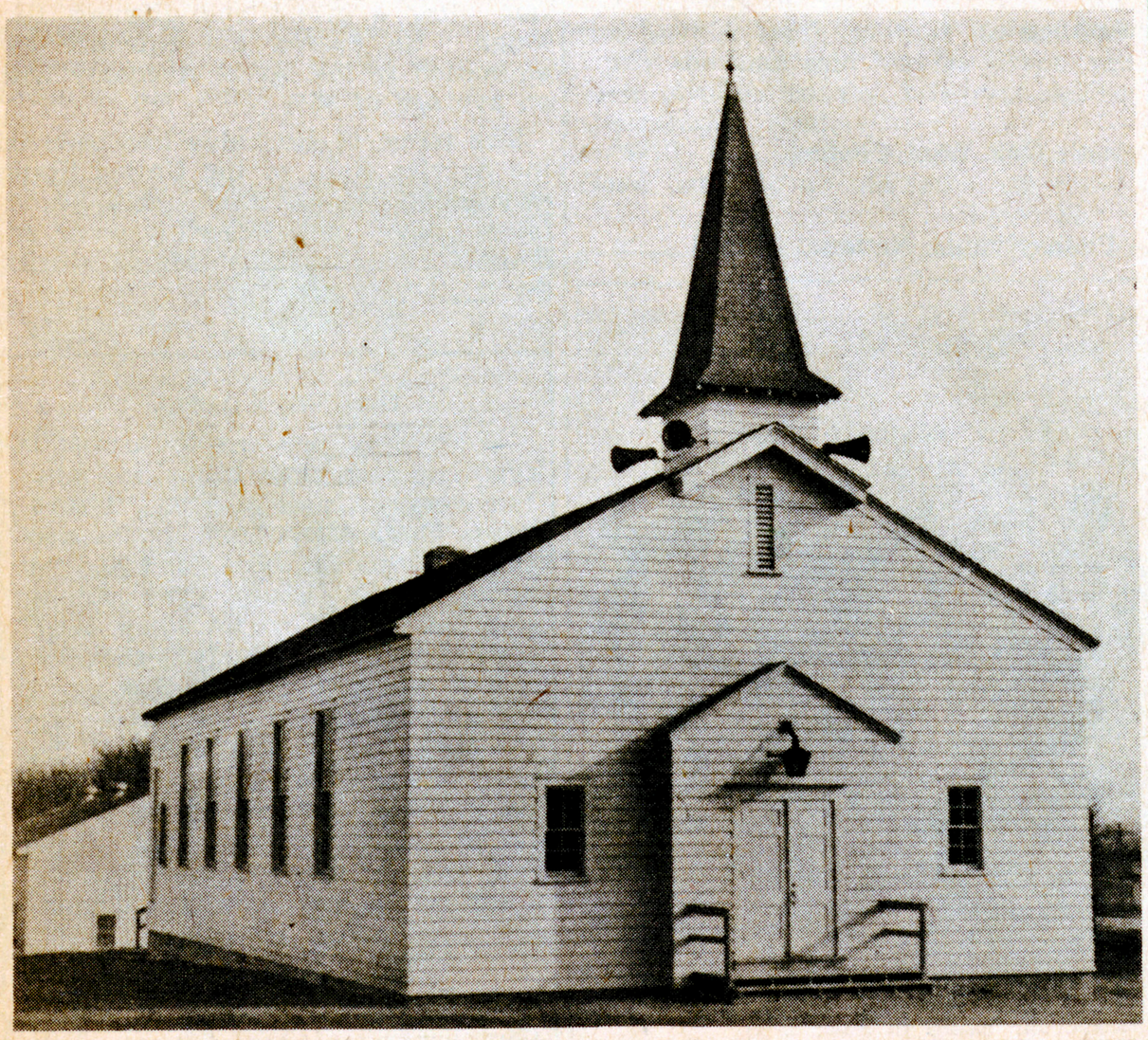
Commanding General's Message

It has been decided that THE GUARDSMAN will hereafter be issued as a monthly magazine instead of a weekly newspaper.

Therefore this is my last weekly message.

I have greatly enjoyed writing these little messages and the favorable comments received from time to time have been most heartening. They were intended to assist in morale building by setting out certain corrections that should be made, and praise of good work being accomplished by the Division.

At this time I want to express to the Editor and all of the contributors of THE GUARDSMAN our appreciation of the splendid work that they have accomplished. We all sincerely hope that they will take just as much interest in the monthly publication.



Newly completed chapel, 103rd Engineers—Special Troops, Indiantown Gap Military Reservation. Loud Speakers carry music and inspiration to passersby.

Col. B. C. Jones, Chief of Staff.

ARMY EXPERIMENTS WITH DEVICES TO AID DRIVERS IN BLACKOUTS

One military operation in which the physical superiority of the soldier is all-important is Army driving under blackout conditions, the War Department points out.

The driver must have cat-like night sight, since no completely successful mechanical device has ever been perfected to overcome the handicaps and hazards of driving in darkness. Any light thrown on the road is just that more visible from the air. Therefore, lights are dimmed to a minimum, and the driver pits his ability to see in the dark against that of the enemy.

For convoy operations under blackout conditions, the Motor Transport Division of the Army Quartermaster Corps had designed and installed blackout lights as markers for the front and rear of all vehicles.

These dimmed lights show through small apertures to the rear which fuse to appear as two lights at one distance and as one light beyond a longer distance. They are shielded from view from the air and are of a color considered the least disturbing to the eye's adjustment in the dark.

With the use of these markers, drivers are able to follow along safely in line. But the lead driver must still find the road by "cat-sight" and by instinct.

Night-driving lights are only a compromise with the dark. Road illumination, invisible from the air, may be just enough to spoil the driver's adjustment to the dark. And in heavy dust a headlight may reveal less to a driver than to a bomber overhead.

The Army Quartermaster Corps has discovered that of several methods of hiding road lights, a small slit in a hood covering the headlights works well. The light is diminished in voltage, or diffused by a covering of cloth or other suitable material, and the small light opening is hidden from above by a projecting visor.

Where the highway is prepared in advance for blackout conditions, other aids to visibility are possible. White markings in the center of the road and at the curb are helpful. Reflecting signs may be arranged to catch the rays of a small spotlight without illuminating the surface of the road.

When the agent for the life insurance company paid Mrs. Stone the amount of insurance her husband had carried, he asked her to take out a policy on her own life.

"I believe I will," she said, "my husband had such good luck with his."

—*Underwriters Review.*

ALLOTMENTS:

The following radiogram, The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C., is repeated for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"Many Class E allotments now paid by the Finance Officer U. S. Army Washn. D. C. made for definite periods such as period enlistment period active duty etc. will expire in near future unless substitute allotment forms requesting extension of allotment period are submitted stop *Necessary action should be taken by all personnel having Class E Allotments to submit substitute forms extending period allotment indefinitely* stop *Otherwise payment present allotments will cease on expiration existing period authorized* stop Immediate action in this matter necessary to safeguard commercial insurance premiums and allotments to dependents stop Not necessary to give present date expiration stop Without regard to expiration date now on record with the Veterans Administration comma Class D and N deductions should be continued to date of termination of service comma it being unnecessary to submit further information to the Veterans Administration signed Adams .

Attention of all enlisted personnel is again directed to the provisions of AR 35-5520 concerning class E allotments, which provides that enlisted, and retired enlisted men on active duty, wherever serving, are permitted to allot such portion of their pay as may be desired for the support of their families or relatives and for the payment of premiums on life insurance. When serving beyond the continental limits of the United States or in Alaska they will be permitted to allot such portion of their pay as they may desire to in banks in the United States for the support of their families or relatives or for their own savings, including checking accounts.

A young fellow was arrested for speeding, and somebody told him that the judge was a hearty, genial old boy who would be sure to respond favorably to the right kind of approach—the hail-fellow-well-met kind.

So the youth swaggered up to the bench, put out his paw, gave a laugh and boomed:

"Morning, judge, old boy, how are you?"

The judge said:

"Fine—$20."

—Chaparral.

In the Field of SPORTS

by * * * * * *

"DAVE" ZINKOFF

SPORTS EDITOR

Another move and the athletic needs of the men are considered and catered to. Just as soon as word went out that the Division was moving out, Lt. H. L. Downs—head of the Morale Office—ordered the Regimental Morale Officers to co-operate by submitting enlisted personnel figures. On the basis of allotment per man—Lt. Dock has been advised to purchase athletic equipment that would be best suited to our needs in the field.

John B. "Jack" Kelly, as head of the civilian athletic set-up, has informed the public of the great morale value of continued athletics and the Army men have realized that competition is the American way of life. Morale can and will be kept at a high plane thru continued athletic competition, even tho under rather arduous conditions such as these.

Our new station will receive the athletic equipment which will include baseball equipment, basketball paraphernalia and squared circle items. As a form of needed relaxation and to keep the body and mind attuned, nothing is better than organized and individual competition in the field of sport.

Many of us are sorry that the Indiantown Gap Field House was still in the figment of the imagination, but as one old Greek Philosopher put it "Everything that happens, happens for the best!" We are hoping that our new station will be conducive for the playing of many games that we are enamoured.

This column gives its smartest Military Salute to Lt. Downs and his aides because they are always thinking of the Iron Division's athletic welfare.

Interesting is the fact that the War Department has seen fit to appoint a full-time recreation officer for each Regiment. His duties are specifically charged with assisting the Commanding Officer in matters pertaining to recreation and welfare.

The new order provides personnel to develope and supervise various activities to maintain the spirit of the soldier during the winter months when his normal athletic activity is restricted by inclement weather.

Under the suggested duties, the morale officer may be designated to co-ordinate athletic, recreation and welfare activities.

MAJOR WILLIAMS TRANSFERED

Major James S. Williams, former Division Morale Officer, left Indiantown Gap recently for his new assignment at Fort Monmouth, N. J. Officers on Division Hill tendered the Major a farewell party prior to his departure.

Major Williams has a long and outstanding Military record. He was, for many years, associated with the 104th Cavalry. He is well known throughout the east as an excellent horseman, and has won many trophies in this field.

Upon induction into Federal Service in February, Major Williams took over the duties of Morale Officer for the 28th Division. During his term in office, he established a program of athletics and general recreation that has become the talk of the country. He received countless letters and inquiries as to his system of organization from persons interested in duplicating them elsewhere.

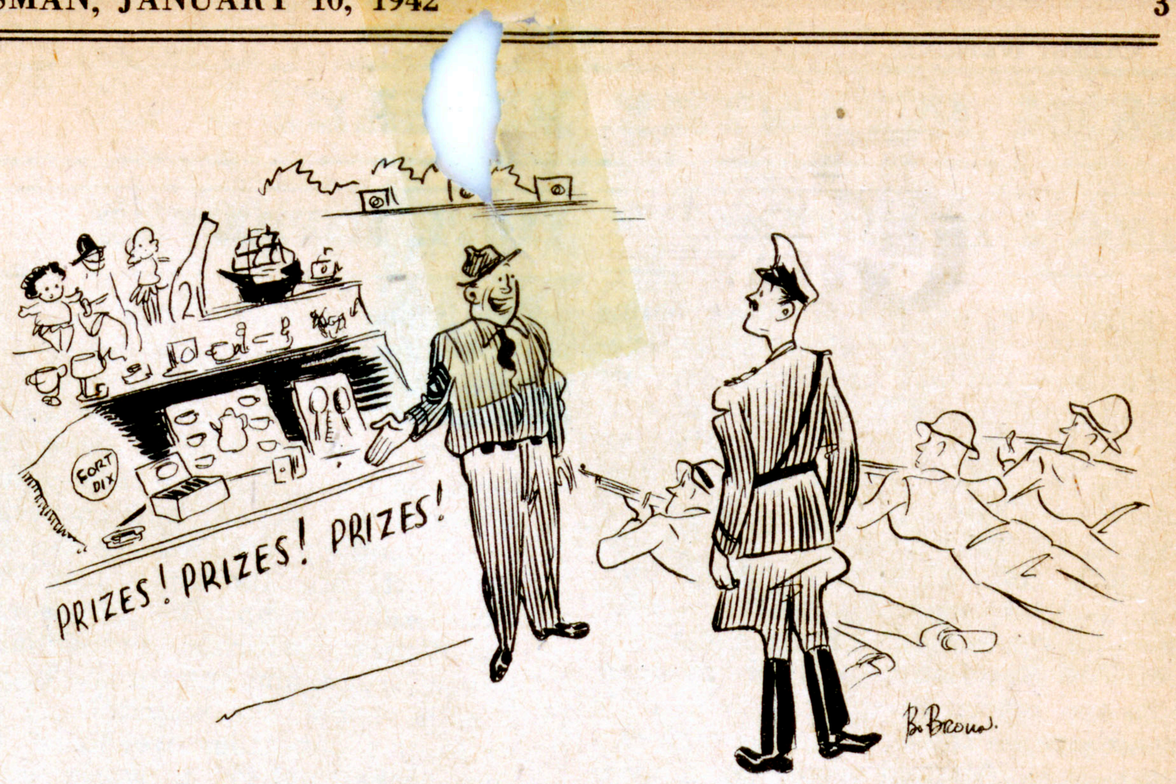
He established a series of radio programs originating at the Gap, and these programs brought fan mail from 40 states, as well as some from the Dominion of Canada. His untiring efforts did much to put the 28th Division on the map.

Before leaving for his new post at Fort Monmouth, Major Williams said, "It's not goodbye, but 'til we meet again. I've surely enjoyed working with the 28th Division. It's my idea of a real team. They work hard, play hard, and best of all, uphold the glorious traditions of the past."

Major Williams leaves this post with the best wishes of Major General Edward Martin and his entire command.

LOST

Aviation-type wrist-watch, white metal case, Serial Number on back of case—10075. Lost in 108th Field Artillery or 103rd Quartermaster Area. Finder please return to Lt. Richard E. Ricks, 2nd Bn., S&A Btry., 108th Field Artillery.



"I thought some sort of inducement might bring better marksmanship, sir.!"

LINCOLN'S KINDNESS AT GETTYSBURG

BY NORMAN C. SCHLICHTER

KINDNESS and Lincoln have long ago become almost synonymous terms, and in this, the month of his birth, we cannot recall one without the other.

His first school composition in that little wilderness school in Indiana, where a term of a few winter weeks was held yearly, was on the subject of cruelty to animals. And the whole world knows the story of his wading the icy creek barefooted to get the pet dog that was trailing the pioneer wagon that took the Lincoln family from Gentryville, Indiana, to their new home in the Illinois woods.

But two instances of Lincoln's kindness at Gettysburg the day of his world-famed address there on November 19, 1863, are of unusual interest to Pennsylvanians.

He did one great kindness there to the wife of a Pennsylvania Dutch farmer. His name was Jacob, and hers was Lydia. The incident comes from a diary of the time kept by young Henry E. Jacobs, who later became the head of the Lutheran Seminary at Mount Airy, Pennsylvania. He did not record the family name of this couple.

Anxious to get a place near where Lincoln was to speak, they started to drive in their horse and buggy from their home near Ephrata to Gettysburg the evening before the big day. They got to the place of assembly so early in the morning that they were able to stand right in front of the speaker's platform.

Some one had thoughtfully put on this platform a rocking chair for the President. It was generally known that he preferred rocking chairs.

It was a long tedious wait indeed for the couple from Ephrata. The exercises did not get under way until a good while after scheduled time. In fact they did not start until after twelve noon, or nearly two hours late.

The crowd grew and grew until it numbered more than fifteen thousand. Lydia and Jacob began to get tired out, and the crowd hemmed them in closer and closer all the while.

Lydia kept her poise until after the President was seated comfortably in his rocker. Then, according to young Jacob's story, she fainted right there in the center of the vast throng.

There was much confusion. A voice called out, "A woman has fainted." So close was the press of the crowd that Jacob couldn't lift his arms to help his Lydia. Then above the noise and widespread excitement in front of the platform a high, clear voice gave this command from the platform, "Here, hand that woman up to me! Let *me* get hold of her."

It was Lincoln's voice. He leaned down and stretched out his big arms to raise her up.

When Lydia regained consciousness a little later she found herself in Lincoln's rocking chair and the great man standing beside her fanning her.

The thought of being fanned by a President almost overcame the humble Lancaster county woman and she suggested to Lincoln that she be put down beside her "Yacop" again. But he told her to rest easy and stay where she was. The report is that he told her, "It was all I could do to pull you up out of that crowd, and I'm sure I couldn't stick you back again."

When we recall that Jacob had to stand on through those two full hours, and more, of that ponderous oration by Edward Everett which preceded the President's speech, Lydia must surely have remembered with most grateful heart all her life what a great kindness Lincoln had done her on that memorable day.

The other Gettysburg kindness story is of special interest, too, to every man who has ever worn a military uniform in times of war or peace.

Among the many heroes of this shrine of American patriotism of which Lincoln had heard was the cobbler, John Burns. Bret Harte has kept his memory green with his ballad about this local patriot. It seems that the cobbler was a "big" talker, although Harte makes him a man of few words, and his act of courage came as a genuine surprise to his friends and neighbors.

On the Sunday of the great battle the cobbler went into the fight in his Sunday clothes, which included an old-style blue coat and a big white hat. Although wounded three times, he stayed in the fearful fray till the finish, and proved that he had the kind of courage that every true soldier admires.

Since Lincoln's train was not scheduled to leave until evening, he decided to attend the special religious service which the Presbyterian Church had planned for the afternoon of the dedication day. He asked Secretary Seward to accompany him. Before setting out for the church he sent for old John Burns. John came, dressed, of course, for the day in his old battle suit. Then putting him between himself and Seward, Lincoln marched through the Gettysburg streets to the church.

Those Gettysburg crowds that saw this cheered with admiration both for Lincoln and for the brave cobbler!

That shoemaker, like Lydia, of Ephrata, had something, too, to remember from that day on about Lincoln's kindnes.

In honoring John Burns as he did, Lincoln meant to honor through him all the humbler heroes of our nation's heroic conflict.

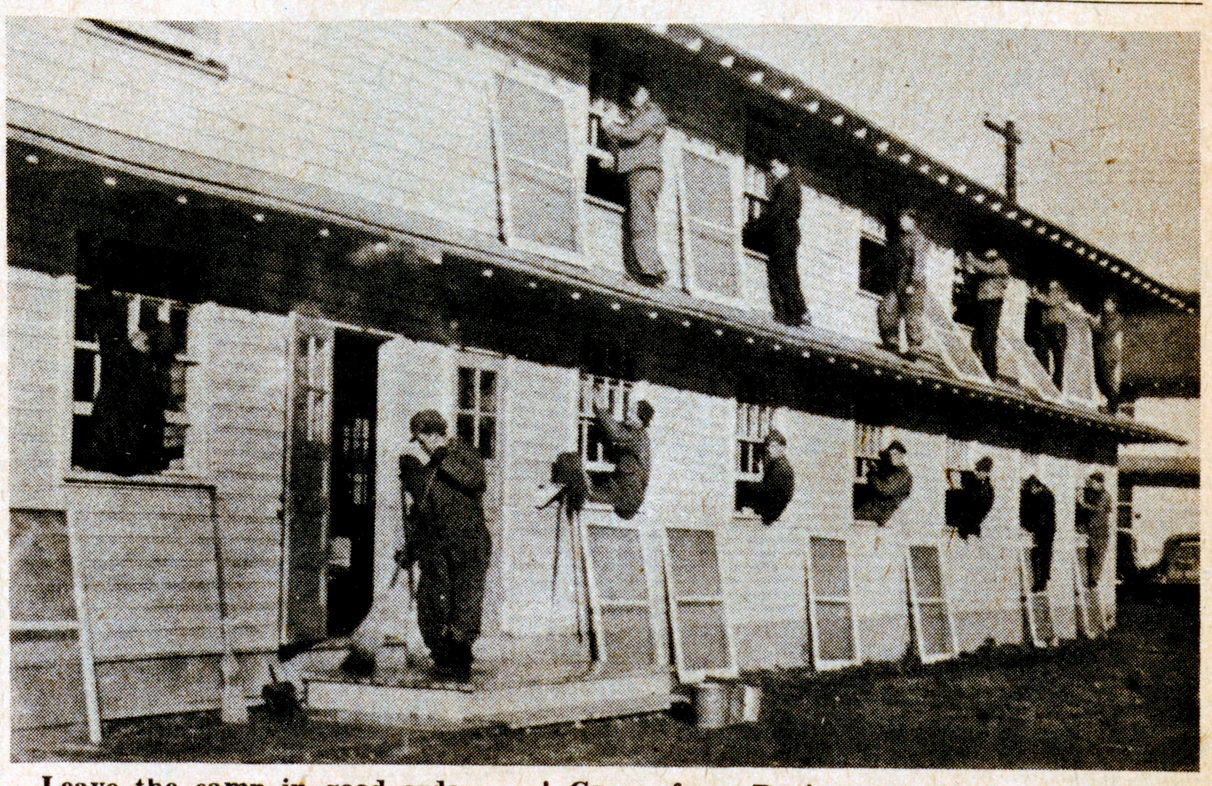
WISE WORDS

The Commands Are Learning

War places a terrifically high value on wise decisions. Any war reveals abundant evidence of plans which proved to be ill-advised. The failures of generals are more grisly even than those of physicians and surgeons; they need broad acres for burying their mistakes. Without denouncing the military obtuseness that appeared after the last war or bemoaning the blunders made by the vanquished in the present struggle, one may note that both the British and American commands are learning.—From "The Impact of War" by Pendleton Herring.

Competence

. . . We have to have men trained and ready to do the job. There are some things which we of the Army must do . . . we must have competent officers, for you know how demoralizing it is to be commanded by someone who does not know his business. We must have intelligent and modern training methods, and we must get rid of incompetent officers from generals to corporals without fear or favor. But we don't accomplish all this over night any more than one can make guns overnight. The human factor takes time to build as well as the material.—Honorable John J. McCloy, September 19, 1941.



Leave the camp in good order . . .! Group from Regimental Headquarters, 107th F.A. clean up with gusto. Bottom, L. to R.: Slawson, Bromall, Shimck, Spatig, Engel, Busatto, Jason, Richards. Top, L. to R.: Nageley, Miller, Trainor, Burtis, Macken, Stankosky.

56TH INFANTRY BRIGADE

109TH INFANTRY

After hearing the reports coming forth after the regiments sudden return from holiday furloughs we are inclined to favor a bit more femininity in this army of ours. . . . The fair lassies made a highly successful raid upon the "fighting men" without any regard for rank or size. . . . It was a short campaign with a high casualty list and the enemy made no promise to return prisoners or make exchanges. . . . 1st Sgt. Louis Pilch was an early loss and official documents claim little resistance on the Company A topkick's part. . . . All told, Company A gave up fourteen prisoners. Sgt. Jack Hughes, Co. C., also fell early in the battle and to date is listed as "missing in action." All through the regiment the lady warriors have made deep inroads into our ranks. . . . Officers were not exempt and the latest newspaper account, which is seemingly official, names Lt. Frederick Tuckerman as "badly wounded." Spies sent into enemy territory on reconnaissance (some of whom haven't returned) tell stories of odd weapons called "darts" which they claim are similar to those used by African tribes. . . . The enemy Amazon's are lead by a dicatorish like creature named Cupid. . . . As the battle neared its closing stages on Saturday last, a blitzkreig method was adopted and heavy fighting was noted especially in the area around northeastern, Pa. . . . A final casualty list included Sgt. Zaccone, Co. F., Pfc. Joe Morgan, H. Q. Company, and Pfc. Windsor Richards, A-T Company. . . . In the New York zone, only one prominent capture was made with Pvt. "Chickie" Warpus, Service Co., the victim. . . . An unconfirmed report tells of one soldier, Corp. Johnny Zaller, Co. E, turning traitor and literally "giving himself up" . . . he was returned unharmed . . . Although at this writing nothing definite has been learned, it is believed that Morale Assist. "Dinty" Waleski was nabbed during the closing moments. . . .

On Monday, January 5, a temporary peace pact was signed and now both sides have united in a common cause. . . . Although combined forces had expected to spend Tuesday in kissing and making up, the plans were rudely interrupted. . . . Present plans call for the female contingent to form a home guard, while the male group will lead the charge.

That's the picture in the 109th Infantry today.

AMEN!

German Mother: "Remember, Fritzie, when you're saying your prayers to say, 'Thank God' and 'Thank Herr Hitler.'"

Fritzie: "What will I say, mother, when Hitler dies?"

Mother: "Thank God!"

110TH INFANTRY

This is one new year that most of us woke up without a big head. By serving in the army we found out there is no room for swelled heads. This first new year, celebrated as soldiers, finds us learning the value of brotherhood, service, and cooperation. As apathetic civilians we tended to grow soft. But the army, just like revellie—woke us up. In this world of fanaticists, bellicose individuals, bootleg warriors, and cut throats dripping with venom, the wisest thing to do is to put our "four freedoms" in our hip pocket and get to work. But as "Bugs" Baer cautions, we must consider the kangaroo which has its hip pocket in front where it can be watched. If we don't like what Hitler and his apostles of hate are throwing in our lap—we must stand and act for our rights. We must be mentally as well as physically prepared. Our important new year's resolution is to see that Hitler has the headache—and the sooner the better!

Through a Peep Sight:—Pvt. Max C. Salazar, Hq. Co., was a member (featherweight) of the 1932 Olympic Boxing Team . . . The snake killing contest of Sgt. Schunk's, which originated in N. Carolina has been snowed down to the following score: Corporal Robert A. Judge, one Copperhead; Pfc. Anthony K. Podbielski, one water moccasin; and Corporal Thomas Jabour still running . . . Pvt. Ted Savage who is over the mystic age of 28, married lovely Suzanne Kent one week prior to his scheduled release from the army. Ted is still with us! . . .We wonder if the charming Miss Martin who called on Supply Sgt. Drass of Hq. Co. last Sunday afternoon is any relation to the Commanding General Martin? No. Well, it is known that she was holding a conversation with the General's chauffeur at the Penna. Railroad station in Harrisburg! . . . Pvt. Norman Cooper, B Company, is the latest addition to the Morale staff. Norman's uncle is the manager of George Jessel . . . The most recent pleased victims of artist Pvt. Prescott of G Company, were Sgt. Gordy, Sgt. Laher, 1st Sgt. Boyles, Sgt. Orr, and Sgt. Goetz.

An old fellow was crossing a busy intersection when a large St. Bernard ran past him and bowled him over. The next instant an Austin car skidded around a corner inflicting more serious bruises.

Bystanders helped him to his feet and some one asked if the dog had hurt him much.

"Well, not exactly," was the reply, "but that can tied to his tail sure did the damage."

—Texas Ranger.

Plenty of new equipment at the Post Dental Clinic. Soldiers are given excellent care. Lt. R. S. Bell, 108th F.A. goes to work on Corp. Oszechowski, F. Co., 112th Inf. Pvt. R. Cohen, 1325 S. U. dental technician, in background.

103D OBSERVATION

Late in the evening of December 22, 1941, orders were received from the First Air Support Command moving the Squadron to the Rhode Island State Airport at Hillsgrove, Rhode Island. Within the hours following the reading of the orders, preparations were rushed for the departure of the first echelon, and by dawn of the following day it had begun the long drive. Shortly thereafter the main body departed to arrive at the new station on Christmas Day. The rear echelon left a few days later, after attending to the countless details remaining in the business of changing stations.

Quarters are at a premium and the officers and men are billeted in various social halls and makeshift buildings. Officers are located in the airport administration building and Squadron functioning is smooth despite the attendant difficulties of transportation and communication.

Flying missions are being conducted in accordance with the plans of the First Air Support Command and are progressing favorably. It is expected that the arrival of new types of aircraft will make the performance of missions easier and less hazardous.

December rivaled June, with four weddings taking place. Second Lieutenant Clinton C. Garrett and Miss Zana Smith Stratford were married on December 1st; Second Lieutenant Arthur P. Gorman, II, and Miss Marjorie Pendleton were married on December 13; Second Lieutenant Jarvis A. Strong, Jr., and Miss Caroline Hope Ford were married on December 22, and Second Lieutenant Arthur T. Cabot, and Miss Martha Ann Failes were married on December 26th.

HOSPITALITY—WOW!

I walked into the U.S.O.-Catholic Service Center in Harrisburg one evening last week. The friend I was with had been there before, and for months he had given me the raves over the wonderful treatment they give soldiers there.

I am not the kind of a guy who is a doubting Thomas, but I was merely ignorant of all that is being done at these service centers.

The reception the boys gave me at the Catholic center all but swept me off my feet, however. Never had I expected anything like it.

A tall, good-looking man with a cigar perched in his lips walked over to me, asked my name, and immediately made me feel as if I had known him all my life.

I learned he is the Rev. Lawrence Schott, the beloved Father Schott whose name is being heard far and wide in soldier circles these days.

When you go into Father Schott's home, nothing is too good for you. He wants you to make it your home. It is your home. If you mention swimming, he all but grabs you by the seat of your pants and throws you in the pool. Interested in photography? "Well," says Father, "come down and look at the dark room. You'll see things that'll amaze you, thanks to Mr. Brainerd."

Movies? Oh, yes, they'll be going on in a few minutes. Dancing? "Well," indignantly inquires this exceptional priest and man, "where were you last night? We had the finest dance ever, and what's more, we had more girls than soldiers. You missed the time of your life".

Basketball? "Sure, what do you think all that noise is upstairs?"

Just care to write a letter, or listen to some music? "Go right ahead, there're plenty of desks, and when you're finished, give me your letters, and we'll mail 'em out for you."

If ever there is a perfect host, Father Schott is the one. He has infected his entire staff with the same enthusiasm. Splendid fellows like Joe Settino and Tom and Pete and others whose names I can't recall at the moment are just as sincere in making the soldiers feel at home as the good Father is himself.

One of the things which attracted me was the home-recorder they have. All I did was mention it, and in two minutes I was quivering before a "mike" in my first "radio test." The little talk I prepared was addressed to the folks back home. When I had finished that, they not only grabbed it to mail it for me immediately, but they insisted that I make other recordings.

"Do you want to talk to your girl now?" they said, "Go to it. Come in every night, if you want to, and send a phono-letter home. Beats writing by a mile."

Well, by the time half the evening was over I was pretty well convinced that if there are any finer reception centers for soldiers anywhere in the whole world, they'll have to show me.

The attaches there get a real kick out of helping the service men. They are real Americans, all of them. I hope to never meet a better lot.

My friend was amused at my bewilderment. And Father Schott kept on confusing me by showing me all around the building, each portal revealing something new and amazing in this progressive organization.

And when we were leaving, Father personally saw us to the door, and the invitations to return came so thick and fast that I could hardly utter my thanks.

"Too bad we missed you for so many months," Father said. "Come soon, and often. Understand, I don't want you to go A.W.O.L., but get in here every chance you get."

I couldn't sleep that night thinking about the many wonderful people there are in the world. God bless them.

—28th Division, Anonymous.

Old Salt. Pvt. Max Fink, C Battery, 107th F.A. Served in the Navy from 1922-1926. Enlisted at age of 15. Served as 2nd class pharmacist in scouter fleet. Navy turned him down when he made efforts to re-enter service prior to induction. Now enjoying life in the army.

RADIO CONTROL

The following is a transcript picked up at the Radio School and submitted to this office by Pvt. Althen of Hq. Co., 175th Inf.

"Here is a Radio Engineer's rules for dealing with your girl friends."

He Uses Radio Signs

If she wants a date—Meter.
If she wants to call—Receiver.
If she wants an escort—Conductor.
If she wants to be an angel—Transformer.
If you think she's two-timing—Detector.
If she eats too much—Reducer.
If she is wrong—Rectifier.
If she is cold—Heater.
If she wants a vacation—Transmitter.
If she talks too much—Interrupter.
If she's narrow in her views—Amplifier.
If she has wrong ideas—Corrector.
If she wants to be kissed—Exciter.
But if she flirts—Eliminator.

—THE CHIN STRAP.

A plain girl approached the information desk at the tourist park, and asked for a road map.

"Here you are," said the clerk.

"Well, I hope I won't go wrong," replied the girl.

"With that map, you can't possibly," retorted the clerk.

56TH INFANTRY BRIGADE

112TH INFANTRY

Company E is losing its first sergeant. Harold E. Calbert is scheduled to leave for officer's candidate school, Ft. Benning, Georgia, on January 12. He will pursue a course of instruction lasting for three months.

By the time you read this, we will all know where the Gypsy 112th is headed. We have maneuvered so much that now it has gotten to be a habit. We will all be sorry to leave the Gap and sorrier still to say goodbye to the many friends we have made in Harrisburg and Lebanon. So many of them have been coming down lately to say their last farewells that it is sometimes difficult to tell whether we are running a military post or a social center.

C company had guard detail recently and since most of the privates were walking post, the non-coms had to perform the necessary fatigue. It has been claimed that some of the corporals got blisters on their hands through the cruel and onerous labor of scouring the wash bowls. Corp. Richard Claypool of C company started the new year right by getting married on New Year's day. This fascinated Private Rodger Lee of the same company who, after brooding about the matter for a few days, followed his example. Pvt. Lee had Corp. Claypool as his best man, since he needed an old hand at the game.

What H company private spent—on a call to Greenville, N. C.? It must be love, etc. And two days before pay day at that.

After a number of false starts we finally had our call to arms. There had been so many false alarms that when the genuine article came along it was a bit difficult to believe. However, the march-out was made with commendable speed and we have it from a reliable source that General Stackpole was pleased with our performance.

103D QUARTERMASTER

"I take thee for my lawfully wedded wife, to love, honor and obey—" these oft-repeated words took a beating over the furlough period, with a large number of the men of this regiment walking solemnly down the aisle with fair brides. Those not tying the nuptial knot purchased the rope and announced their engagement.

There is much activity in the regimental area, with scores of "peeps", "jeeps", panzer-killers, leaping Lenas (or what have you) being driven in from Lickdale by QM drivers. They will be distributed thruout the Division.

The New Year was ushered in by two gala parties as the formal opening of the Officers' Recreation Building was held. The enlisted men romped, shouted and danced in the large regimental rec hall. Joining in the gaity were 60 pulchritudinous pretties from Harrisburg.

As we say goodbye to 1941, we look back into chaos-packed days and fervently hope for climax in '42 and the Christmas of 1943 once again brimming with genuine "peace and goodwill to men on earth."

Among those married were B company's clerk, Corp. Harry Miller and Private Louis J. E. Fritz of Company C. In a large item which made the society page of a Schuylkill County newspaper, Corp. J. Daubert Kirkpatrick of Co. C announced his engagement to a lovely miss from Pine Grove. The girl friend of Sergeant Eugene Adams is also sporting a large new ring.

What color is a bride? Wed.
What color is a shampoo? Drene.
What color is a ghost? Boo.
What color is a guitar string? Plink.
What color is a belch? Burple.

LOST

One pair Rimless Glasses in one of the offices in Division Headquarters. Finder please return to G-1 Office.

103D ENGINEERS

Those staying at the Gap enjoyed the holidays very much with the help of decorations and holiday festivities. Service club dances were in abundance and were popular.

Everyone sincerely thanks Olney High School for the wonderful expression of the Christmas spirit. The gifts were heartily appreciated, but it was the thought that touched the soldier's hearts.

Pvt. Edward A. Emmerling of "E" Company also played Santa Claus. The Young Democrats Club of Pittsburgh, of which he is a member, sent him 450 bars of chocolate and about 700 packs of cigarettes for distribution. Assorting the candy and cigarettes into packages about 100 gifts were made. These were given out to our men in the hospital and also sent to Engineers in the hospitals at Charleston, S. C. and Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C. The remainder were given to the Red Cross for distribution at the station hospital.

Sgt. J. Delagol and Pvt. J. Kozul of H & S Company are responsible for the electric lights in our area and those on Division Hill. Mention also should be given to Pvt. J. Celia for helping erect the huge tree. What would he do without his shovel?

The men of all companies enjoyed the presence of their officers at Christmas dinner following a custom of long-standing. It was a pleasure to have them, and good spirit was the order of the day. The feast was replendent with clean sheets for table cloths and plenty of good food. An evidence of the good spirit was the sight of 1st Sgt. F. Aron, Sgt. Bob Jenkins and others lending a helping hand in the kitchen of H. & S. Co.

Religious services were very successful in the new Chapel. The largest communion at the Gap was held at 12:01 A. M. Christmas morning. At the Regimental Service Miss Priscilla Hall, daughter of Chaplain Hall sang and Miss Wales, daughter of Chaplain Wales of the 103rd Medical Regiment accompanied her at the organ.

Furlough Notes: Sgt. Mike Zingraf of the Medical Detachment popped the question . . . Pvt. Levers of the Band got married to "Catherine" . . . Pvt. Albert L. Nusbaum of H & S Co., was snowbound for a while near Bradford, Pa., while Corp. W. Startzman enjoyed skiing at Rutland, Vt. despite a fall which broke his skiis and general morale.

P.F.C. Mat Werner of H & S Co., was transferred to the Engineers Section, First Air Force, Mitchell Field, L. I., N. Y. Good luck! H & S Co., and the Band had a good taste of guard duty last week. Seeing Master Sgts. G. imhof and W. McMullen as Corporals of the guard attests to the good spirit of the men. Pvt. Rush hopes his rifle doesn't go off again without warning.

Pvt. Joe Shindler, of the Medics, took a bride during the holidays. The Shindlers honeymooned at Lake Placid, N. Y.

Gus Di Fonzo of the band also joined the benedicts last Monday. Gus and Betty honeymooned at the Hotel William Penn in Harrisburg.

"Hey, wherinell's that chicken I ordered an hour ago?"

"It'll be along soon, sir—the cook hasn't killed it yet, sir, but she's getting in some nasty blows."

—Texas Ranger.

"Did you miss your train, sir?"

"No, I didn't like its looks, so I chased it out of the station."

—The Pennsylvania Triangle.

166TH FIELD AR[illegible]
CAMP SHELBY, MISS[illegible]

Private Joseph L. Coleman, [illegible] detached service from Regimental Headquarters battery, 166th Field Artillery regiment at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, was presented with a Bulova wrist watch by Radio Station WHAS, Louisville, Kentucky, during the Christmas holidays.

Private Coleman is the operating engineer for the "Salute From Shelby" program broadcast over that station Wednesday evenings, 9:30 P.M., Central Standard Time. It is the only All Army show, being directed and produced by soldier personnel. As the station is a "clear channel" station, the program can be heard throughout Pennsylvania.

In addition to his radio duties, Private Coleman has been chief projectionist for the Non-Divisional Camp Theatre since last February and is assisted by his brother, Private William Coleman, Battery A, 166th Field Artillery. He was formerly connected with the Photo Section of the 103rd Observation Squadron but re-enlisted with the 166th, December 10th, 1941.

Corporal William F. Harpel, Battery "A", married Miss Patricia Logan at Valley Forge Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, Saturday December the 20th. The bridal couple left for a honeymoon trip through Florida then to New Orleans and back to Shelby immediately afterwards.

Another visitor to Florida was Private First class Philip H. Doerle over the Christmas holiday. He spent his furlough at Miami Beach with his parents and his girl friend, Miss Lucy Gamble of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Only the natural good humor and Christmas spirit of some of the civilian passengers relieved the monotony of the long furlough train rides home and back to camp. The Pennsylvania soldiers riding on the train Sunday night had quite a laugh when one young lady explained to her girl friend that Master Sergeant William H. Stokes had those extra stripes on his sleeve because he was an "assistant" sergeant.

Corporal Peter Cash and Private Tom McCarthy spent a unique Christmas Eve. They journeyed to Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to watch their favorite football team, Fordham, train for the Sugar Bowl game.

Lt. Col. George P. Winton has taken over his duties as new Regimental Executive Officer, relieving Col. Whipple, who is now on leave.

Capt. William C. Plasterer and Lts. George H. Hendricks, Herman Ray, Harry H. Billett and Charles G. Sheaffer have transferred to the Air Corps as administration officers.

"What's repartee, Dad?"

"That, my son, is what a man thinks of on the way home."

"Wish we had a fifth for bridge."

"Don't need a fifth for bridge, you dope!"

"Well, make it a pint then."

New Winter Head Gear. Pfc Stephen Preslash, C Battery, 107th F.A. serves as Exhibit A as soldier makes adjustments. Said Preslash, "I feel like the reluctant dragon."

NOTABLE QUOTES

The Chief of Staff Says . . .

The technique of 1917 is outmoded today. The specialized training for a particular type of operation gives way to the necessity for perfect teamwork in fast-moving operations over any type of terrain. A high degree of technical and tactical knowledge is necessary, from the individual soldier to the commanders of the highest units. Skilled initiative is a mandatory requirement. The complicated coordination of fire-power, ground and air, must be managed at top speed, and for a surprising variety of weapons, with little or no opportunity to rehearse the procedure or to gain familiarity with the ground.—General George C. Marshall, "Speech at 1941 American Legion Convention."

Criticism and the Inspector

It is unfortunate that most of us dislike and resent criticism, a dislike that makes it hard for those in authority to correct errors, with the result that the sense of these uncorrected errors often piles up till there is a sudden explosion over some comparative trifle, really the sum of condemnations for a series of faults. Inspectees should therefore be trained to accept criticism cheerfully. The wind can often be taken out of the corrector's sails by immediately admitting the error. After all, his main object is to see that it does not occur again; if he sees that the culprit is equally decided in the matter he is satisfied, and also pleased at not getting the usual dirty looks.—Lieutenant Colonel E. G. Hart, D.S.O., from the article "On Organization" in "The Royal Air Force Quarterly."

Just a song at twilight. Tech. Sgt. Harry Reiff, plays the new Hammond Organ in the Special Troops Chapel.

53RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

Headquarters Battery

The holiday season found the Brigade plugging along in its training despite the furlough absentees. Having demonstrated their mastery of the big guns, the men are now being trained in the intricacies of the rifle and classes in the instruction of the use of that weapon are now going full blast. This is another indication of the way the Artillery is making of itself an all-around organization capable of defending itself whenever the occasion warrants. Modern warfare being what it is, we must prepare ourselves for more complex and diversified fighting duties.

The folks back home at last had their chance to hear, at first hand, the exciting stories of the maneuvers direct from the lips of the men. Our wheeled 'Mercuys'—Privates Tucker, Byrne and Scally raised the hair of their listeners with amazing stories regarding their narrow escapes from capture while furiously dashing along the dirt roads on their trusty motorcycles. The fact that the battery was never in any serious danger of surprise was due to the never flagging watch maintained by the crack machine-gunners at the outposts: Pvts. Potorsnak, Green, Blymyer, Spano and their chief, Sgt. Charlton; at least, that is what their listeners were forced to believe. Pvts. Crispen and Benham are reported to have completely awed Philadelphia with tales of their bravery and valor, with the result that countless organizations and societies are after them for formal addresses regarding their Carolina adventures .....

The ranks of the benedicts of Headquarters Battery was swelled by the furlough marriages of such stalwarts as Corporal Mathews, Pfc. Lavin, Zirpoli and Forster. Corporal Berna, always the conservative, merely became engaged and in this daring move was followed by Pvt. Norman Braton. Forthcoming marriages are announced by Pvts. Rushmore and Iacobucci. The rest of the battery devoted itself to its usual romantic fol-de-rols which may result in announcements of a more serious nature later on.

108TH FIELD ART.

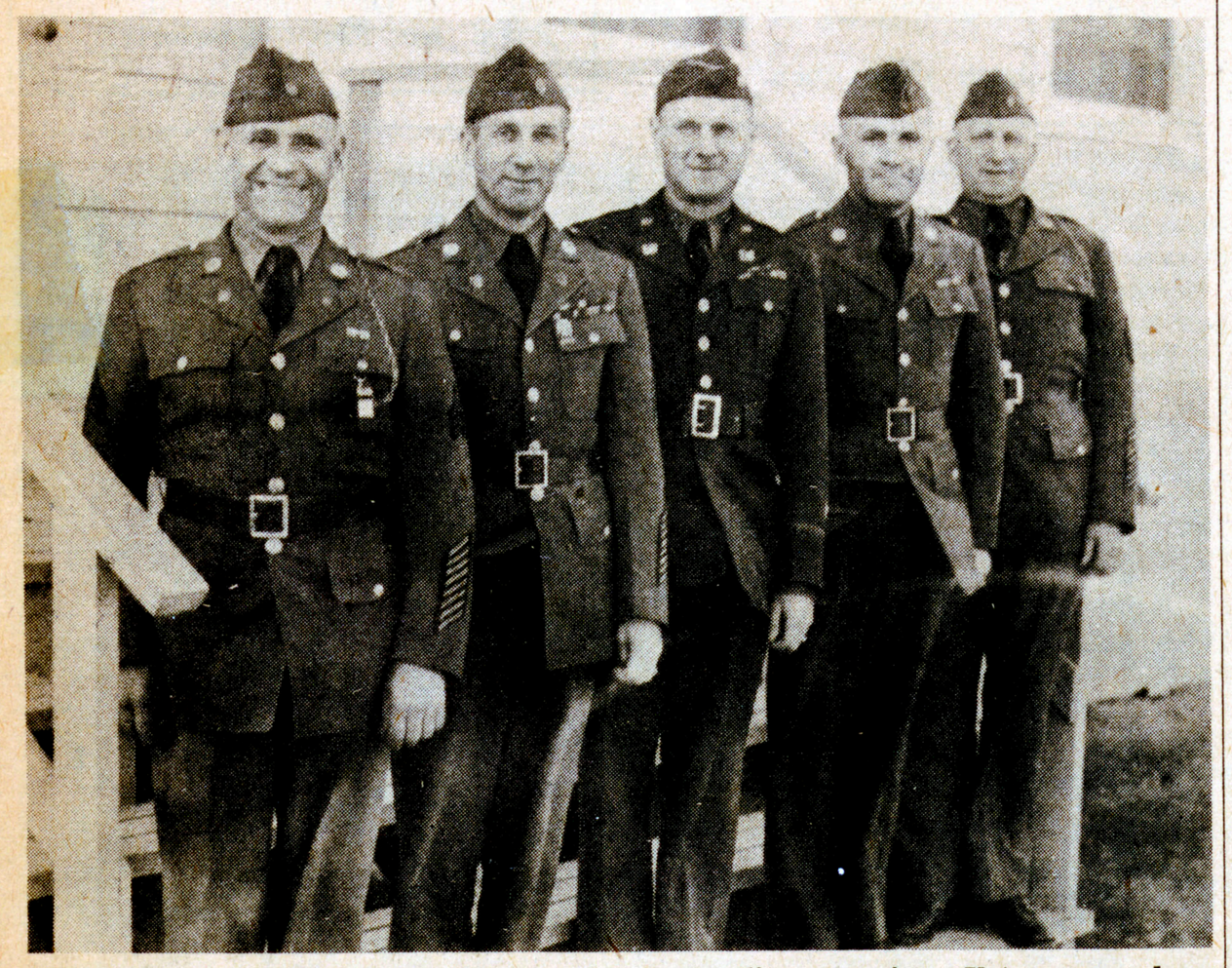
The camp is abuzzin' with feverish activity and all are wondering as to the next point of destination . . . Yours sincerely was called back with 3 to go but thankful that during times of stress that most of the men were over the hump on their respective furloughs . . . Our Happy Birthday list is gigantic and we wish all the most of the best: The Service and Ammunitions Once come thru with Joseph Ouelette, Charles Haag, William Kelly and Ralph Swetland; The Busy BEES are represented with Bobby Barker, Johnny Mayer, Mario Pavone and Char[illegible] Ruggero; the Pills and Ills have a brace of well-wishers in Walter Fehrle and Freddy Pace; The Regimentals are ready with the cake for Johnny Conlon, Edgar Jones and Lou Orseno; The in-and-outers or Antitankers shout felicitations to Paul Bollman, Dominic Gughelmi, Ernest Battelle, Charles Martin, Alex Romanchik, Seymour Weinerman, Rocco Marino, Vic Pietro and Johnny Farley; the Gadabout GOOs are listening to the Barbershop Quartet as Timmy Creadon, William Hartnett, Eddie Atkinson and Jimmy Archer break into song; the Fightin' F's are reserving special plates for Don Lewis and Tommy Regan; those Easy E's glide over the show with Joe Manchio and Adolph Pecca; our Commanding C's have Georgie Nelson and Paul Risley to shower with special attentions; the Almighty A's look to the following trio for special dispensation—George Clark, Johnny Fidler and Lou McCaughey; Headquarters Once and nine men raise their hands—Armand Robbins, Cecil Allen, Tommy Skelly, Wynn Whetstone, Eddie Migliori, Eugene Butler, Gerald Gentel, Morris Schwartz and Joe Tremerelli; S and A Two is saved from a shut-out by Carl Kimmerle; Headquarters Twice has a football team to answer YEA to this Natal Day Quiz—Bernard Brian, Johnny Eife, Gordon Mayer, Johnny Korpalski, William Archer, T. Robert Chubb, Tommy Giardano, Frankie Lynn, Johnny Poehlmann, Tony Sawicki, and Frank Trubiano; Nick Criniti plays a special chorus of "Happy Birthday" for himself to bring up a strong rear . . . Arnand Melograna is now with the Air Corps and wishes to be remembered to his many friends . . . Friends of the Regiment: Betty Bellenghi (Excellent cookies); The Lions Club of Lebanon (Invited 4 108th Men to be guests at Hotel Weiner and presented each with a 10 course dinner and a khaki sweater!) a salvo to Henry S. Bicksler and Paul Gilbert; Arthur Nuss, Red Cross Rep who works tirelessly for all in this Division; Mr. Morse of Chase City, Va. who helped some of our boys when we developed a cranky motor enroute to the City of Brotherly Love; Father Schott of the Harrisburg Catholic Service Club who is responsible for grand Morale Building in the Capitol City; (Puts out a weekly Bulletin that is tops); Mrs. Josephine Dailey, Mrs. Florence Davies and Mrs. Rose Buzzell—all responsible for packages of home-made Xmas cookies; all the grand High School Kids that had the foresight to make up personal kits for every man in the Regiment and their messages of encouragement and uplift . . . A low bow and a smart Military Salute to the Student Body of the Simon Gratz High School. In addition to the kits they have formed a "Pen Pal Club," so if you wish to write address your letter of appreciation to the President of the Student Association, Simon Gratz High School, 17th and Luzerne Streets in Philadelphia and you will have done your bit to start a letter friendship that will be of mutual benefit . . . Chaplain Charles Urban received a hatful of cards but one of the most touching of his gifts was a box of popcorn sent to him by Ruthie Sellers; just 8 years young! . . . Technique at its Military Best is displayed by Martin Davis of Regimental and Jackie Orenstein . . . Extra good KP duty was performed by Swetland, Szymanski, Valerino, McCaughey, "Accordian Smith" and Bronislaus Tarabula—all of the SA 1 Battery. The New Year meal was a beaut, too! . . . This little corner was brightened with a gift from nine year old Elsa Frick who is a better-than-average hand at building flower pot gardens . . . In the Engaged Category: Eddie Scheffler of Battery F and Frances Ruddy . . . 4 appreciative lads in the 108th F A are Freddy Mongiello and William Brusius of Headquarters First and Joe Reynolds and Robert Vogel of the Busy Bees . . . Our own Larry Weller of the Easy E's and his guitar are responsible for that favorite known as "I asked Every Little Star." Quite a radio favorite too . . . They are still talking about the gala decorations that embellished the Busy BEE Xmas tree in the Mess Kitchen. Some of the stuff included bottles that at one time contained spiritus frumenti, Boxes that at one time contained corn flakes and cereals, silvered walnut shells, grated cheese boxes, steel sponges and the total cost was 10c for silver tinsel ! ! ! Oh, almost forgot to mention the ingenious method used to string up colored eggs (with the contents drained) . . . Responsible for this enlightening scene were Mess Sergeant Al Horner, Wild Bill Valutsky, Biff Bentham, William La Fleur, Myron Walker and Leo Lasecki . . . Men of the Service and Ammunition Second all

Pvt. Ernest DeFrain, D Battery, 107th F.A. DeFrain has state-wide reputation for excellent voice, and often sings as he stirs the soup. Has appeared on numerous radio programs originating in camp.

state with definite affirmance that with 4 meals like Mess Sergeant Holconb cooks, 3 lessons in Jiu Jitsu and every man will account for 37 Japs each! The Xmas meal prepared by the Sergeant and his aids Jimmy Gerner, William Coyle and Johnnie Barrow would have done credit to the Nationally Famed Chef, Oscar of the Waldorf. No less than 25 different and distinct epicurean delights graced the Xmas table for the boys and as a special feature, the good Sgt. prepared a cake 40 inches by 48 in area! . . . Hope you brought your bathing suit!

Instead of getting his usual weekend "Liberty", Ducrot complains that he had to take a "Saturday Evening Post" with guard detail.

—Pointer.



More than a century and a quarter of actual military service. Veteran members of 109th F.A. are proud of the 28th Division. L. to R.: Sgt. Joseph Iorio (29 yrs.), Tech. Sgt. Aloysisus Kaiser (27 yrs.), Warrant Officer John Sauer, (27 yrs.), Sgt. Joseph Hudachek (21 yrs.), Staff Sgt. John Schimmel (27 yrs.).

Air Force Chief Urges Army To Emulate Heroic Captain Kelly

Lieutenant General Henry H. Arnold, Chief of the Army Air Forces, has called upon every officer and enlisted man "to continue to fight on with the odds against us" until the might of America becomes completely effective, the War Department has announced.

General Arnold's call was sounded in a personal message directed to every officer and enlisted man of, or attached to, the Army Air Forces, in which he cited the fearless action of Captain Colin P. Kelly, Jr., Air Corps, and his bomber crew in attacking the Japanese battleship *Haruna* at the cost of their lives as an outstanding example of Air Force devotion to duty.

The letter follows:

"The Army Air Forces have gone into action. The United States has been attacked by a powerful combination of cunning, efficient and unscrupulous enemies. Fighting against overwhelming odds, our combat units in Hawaii and the Philippine Islands are seeking out and destroying enemy aircraft and naval vessels wherever they may be.

"Our officers and men are now fighting with conspicuous gallantry. Never before in the history of American air power, have the Army Air Forces been called upon to meet so many different missions, in so many different theaters of war, with such an extreme disparity of equipment, but never before have the officers and men of the Army Air Forces lived up so bravely to the traditions of the Air Forces. Using what equipment they had, without thought of the odds against them, they have nevertheless fought with great heroism.

"Already the Air Forces have their heroes—men who have plunged into conflict with no thought of the odds against them, with nothing in their hearts except love of country and a fierce conviction that they and their fighting craft are the best the world has ever seen.

"Such a man is Colin P. Kelly, Jr., whose name this week was emblazoned in the Air Forces hall of fame, alongside such heroes as Frank Luke, Eddie Rickenbacker and Norman Rockwell. Captain Kelly's feat is an example of the fearless conduct and outstanding devotion to duty of our airmen.

"With utter disregard for murderous antiaircraft fire and swarms of enemy fighters—alone and unprotected, he and his crew traded their bomber and their lives for the destruction of a powerful, modern and heavily-armed Japanese battleship. His feat will live in the history of the Army Air Forces, because he and his crew proved that the most powerful naval vessels afloat cannot operate with impunity within the range of our bombers and the flaming courage of our airmen. In pursuit squadrons Captain Kelly's brother pilots, fighting against great odds, are knocking the enemy out of the skies.

"I am confident that every pilot, every navigator, every bombardier, every gunner and every man on the ground is going into action proud of his country, his fellow airmen and the organization of which he has the privilege of being a member. In these first days of conflict, the Army Air Forces have demonstrated that their officers and men need bow to no one.

"We must continue to meet our enemies, out-numbered though we may be, with the same fervor and will to win in the future as in the past. We must continue to fight with the odds against us until the inherent productive capacity of our country in airplanes, pilots, navigators, bombers and munitions becomes completely effective and we can build up an aerial fighting force capable of driving hostile airmen from the skies, hostile ships from the seas, to decisively defeat our enemies."

Lt. Joseph R. Blair, 103rd Medical Regiment, "Joins the Navy."

LT. BLAIR TO NAVY

Lt. Joseph Richard Blair, 103rd Medical Regiment, was discharged January 2, in order that he might enter the Regular Naval Medical Corps. Lt. Blair, one of the most popular officers in the Medical Regiment graduated from Georgetown University in 1940. (Medical School) He received a B.S. degree from the Univ. of Pittsburgh before entering Georgetown. Lt. Blair interned at St. Francis Hospital in Pittsburgh, prior to his induction July 14, 1941. He took his examinations for the Navy early in October.

Blair is a native of Burgettstown, Pa., living at 138 Center Ave. The good wishes of the entire Division go along with him in his new assignment.

103D MEDICAL REGIMENT

School days have come back to the 103rd Medical. First Lieutenants Hand of Company C, Walborn, G, Fister, A, and Capt. Allen S. Vansant of Division Surgeon's Office are attending the refresher course at the Medical Field Service School, Carlisle Barracks. Master Sergeant Charlie Witters of DSO is also at Carlisle in the Officer Candidate School.

Congratulations to Sgt. Quackenbush of Company E on his successful completion of the Medical Administrative Course and his appointment to a second Lieutenancy, MAC. Best of luck in your new assignment, Lieutenant!

The regiment has the Liberty Fire Company of Lebanon to thank for the lights which have been decorating the 30 foot tree nightly during the holiday season. Capt. Meiser of E Company handled the detail which worked on the tree.

Welcome news from the band barracks—the orchestra which has been rehearsing since our return from the Carolinas will not disband following the move to the Southland, but will be all set to provide the latest in the musical line, Dixie, Pennsylvania, or wherever we may be.

To end all "Waiter there's a fly in my soup" jokes:

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Serves him right; the little devil was in the ice cream last night."

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Yes, we find drowning is more merciful than the swatter."

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Grab your fork—maybe a trout'll come to the surface."

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Well, whatta ye expect for a dime—humming boid?"

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Pardon me, but that's not the common DROSOPHILIA MELANGASTER, but a very rare DROSOPHILIA AFRICANUS."

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"That's all right there's no extra charge."

"Waiter, there's . . ."

"Force of habit, sir. The chef used to be a tailor."

—California Pelican

FOR BETTER PORK CHOPS

(A Bit of Humor from World War Days)

Post Hospital
Fort Logan, Colorado
8 August 1918

From: Contract Surgeon D. A. Richardson
To: The Surgeon
Subject: Sanitary Report

1. The company hog pens located on the easterly sloping bank of the creek running west and south of this depot are three groups, viz: a south, middle, and north group.

2. The south group of seven pens and the middle group of eight pens are utterably filthy and in a most grossly unsanitary condition, both as regards the lives of the hogs and as a menace to the welfare of the inhabitants of this depot and its immediate environment. The interior of these pens is covered with old bones and litter, and inside and immediately in front of each pig house proper are holes filled with urine and manure in which the hogs wallow. The hogs present a most unhappy appearance and by their surliness of temper and fatigue demonstrate that they are harried not only by their environment, which is unnatural to porcine tastes, but also by the swarm of flies which are originating at this location.

3. The north group of six pens is quite clean and dry throughout, and the pigs demonstrate their contentment and satisfaction by activity, pleasant porcine demeanor, and general cleanliness of body. There are no flies present in this north group of pens.

4. It is recommended that these pens be raked clean of bones and litter, the same to be burned and not merely piled in heaps, and the interior of the pens be properly graded and drained by ditches. This will guarantee a full financial return and benefit to this depot from the hogs themselves.

—DANIEL S. RICHARDSON,
Sanitary Inspector.

* * *

2d Ind.

OQM Ft Logan Col 23 Aug 1918
To the Commanding Officer Returned

1. This office learns with deep regret, that decent hogs must pine, and fret, and lose their chaste and classic beauty, because some man neglects his duty. A sense of confidence misplaced, offends a hog's aesthetic taste, and every effort should be bent, to keep him happy and content.

2. The undersigned is pleased to learn that this inspector did discern the difference in looks and styles, between the hogs so coarse and vile, with manners surly and uncouth, in all the pens extending south, who not the least resemblance bore, to porkers in the QM Corps, whose pens are farther to the north, as in above report set forth. These animals so sleek and fine, the pink of excellence in swine, display their radiant features, the happy look of grateful creatures. The Quartermaster pigs alone, maintain their high and lofty tone, and their appearance fresh and fair, betokens kind and loving care.

3. The fact is not so widely known, though in this letter clearly shown, that making the surroundings cleaner, will greatly change a hog's demeanor. Although the fact is likewise true, that in the Army there are few, expert enough in their profession, to rightly read a hog's expression. To tell just where the trouble lies, by contemplation of his eyes, or by the wrinkles of his snoot, might stump the average recruit. It has been claimed that hogs will thrive, amidst surroundings that would drive, an animal of lofty pride to early death or suicide; that while his belly is kept full, he thinks this cleanly stuff is "bull"; that plenty in the way of eats his cup of happiness completes.

4. As these opinions seem to vary, concerning what is necessary, to elevate the moral tone, within the hog's peculiar zone, it is most strongly recommended, that hogs in future be attended, by men expert in reading faces, who can at once detect the traces, upon the mournful physiog, of any poor disgruntled hog, that point of mental irritation or porcine trouble or vexation.

5. Psychology is thus combined with physiognomy refined, and just a dash of occult help the ultimate result. 'Tis thought the man in charge should be, a keen and competent MD. Who but the Medical Department could have of wisdom such assortment? Who but a graduate of college, could have so vast a store of knowledge? The truth is we have no such store, of learning in the QM Corps.

6. The main consensus of opinion, pertaining to the hogs dominion (which is perhaps not far amiss) appears to be about like this: Despite all scientific lore, a hog remains just as before, he makes a picturesque display, when viewed from far enough away, his grunt is musical and clear, providing one is not too near. He smells serenely sweet and clean if proper distance intervenes, but notwithstanding speculation, and philanthropic meditation, and the theories of demagogues, most hogs will still remain—just hogs.

—Z. N. STURNAN,
Captain, Q. M. C.

PFC Lester Craig, M.P. Co. Special Troops. Craig serves as clerk at the Provost Marshall's desk.

Generals' Hobbies

. . . One must bear in mind the fact that there are two sides to an inspection—the inspectee's as well as the inspector's. If the latter indulges in pet hobbies he must not be surprised if the inspectee plays up to them. I obtained an excellent report from a General whose speciality was plague prevention when I was commanding a mule corps in India. I had batches of cats let loose on him, collected from the whole cantonment for days previously, as he walked round my lines, and he left purring with the best of them, and probably never noticed the large numbers making their way back home to their various homes.—Lieutenant Colonel E. G. Hart, D.S.O., from the article "On Organization" in The Royal Air Force Quarterly.

SMOKELESS POWDER PRODUCTION UP 16% SINCE UNITED STATES ENTERED WAR

In the two weeks following declaration of war, the production of smokeless powder in new government-owned powder plants increased 16%, the War Department has announced.

The first of these plants started production in March, 1941. Production of smokeless powder has been increasing ever since, both in the government-owned and privately-owned plants.

Smokeless powder is used as the propellant charge for all types of ammunition ranging from .30 caliber cartridges used in rifles and machine guns up to shells for the big coast defense guns.

Little Red Riding Hood: "Gee, what big eyes you have grandmother."

Grandmother: "Yeah, I just took the air corps physical."

Mrs. Jones "I've never seen a child as spoiled as your Willie."

"Why I don't believe you."

"Oh yes he is too. Come out here and see what the steam roller did to him."

—Pelican.

Democracy in Arms

Through arms freeman now must seek to maintain their liberties. Standing armies make way for people standing under arms. The profession of the soldier now embraces many skills drawn from the arts, the crafts, science, and learning. Mechanization of warfare first realized in naval vessels now works its transformation of the land forces. Water barriers mean less when distance is reduced by aircraft. The nations that grew up as sea powers cannot rely alone upon their navies. The might of the military must be one expression of a democratic people under arms. Then representative government can face the future with assurance. With an army organized as one expression of democratic purpose we need have no fear of militarism. The underlying social forces are those most essential to total warfare: a united people, free to use their wits and skill in self-defense. —From "The Impact of War" by Pendleton Herring.

Try this on your piano. Sgt. Arthur Kucinskas (lower) shows a sure-fire grip to Pvt. Thomas Bowen. Both members, S and A.2—109th F.A. Kucinskas was state amateur wrestling champion, (175 lbs.). Served as wrestling coach at Kingston High and Wellsboro Y. M. C. A.

TO SERVICE SCHOOLS

Tactical Field Course, Camp Lee, Va.:
Capt. William H. Zech, 103rd Q.M.
Second Lieut. Benjamin H. Davis Jr., Div. Q.M. Office.

Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga.:
First Lieut. Ernest W. Doyle, 112th Inf.
Second Lieut. Howard B. Miller, 112th Inf.
First Lieut. Leroy L. Hogan, 112th Inf.
First Lieut. Lester W. Noll, 112th Inf.
Second Lieut. Jack W. Mease, 112th Inf.
Second Lieut. Walter W. Sears, 112th Inf.
First Lieut. Albert G. Branyan, 111th Inf.
Second Lieut. Charles J. Dillon, 111th Inf.
Second Lieut. Donald C. Sheely, 111th Inf.
Second Lieut. Frederick R. Welsh, 111th Inf.
Second Lieut. Delmas L. White, 111th Inf.
Capt. Thomas J. Noto, Special Troops, 28th Div.
Capt. Charles H. Reed, Special Troops, 28th Div.
Second Lieut. James E. Simon, 110th Inf.
Second Lieut. Robert S. Mugavi, 110th Inf.
Second Lieut. Joseph E. Quillen, 110th Inf.
Second Lieut. Charles E. Ritterhoff, 110th Inf.
Second Lieut. Judson D. Hancock, 111th Inf.

Holabird Transport School, Holabird, Md.
Second Lieut. Samuel W. Reeves, 103rd Q.M.

Field Officers Course, Ft. Sill, Okla.:
Lt.-Col. Ralph N. Steimer, 53rd F.A. Brig.
Major Thomas Brain, 109th F.A.

Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Md.:
Pvt. Curtis H. Lemuell, 103rd Ordnance Co., Special Troops.
PFC Sedrak W. Melidosian, 103rd Ordnance Co., Special Troops.
Pvt. Thomas McIntyre, 103rd Ordnance Co., Special Troops.

Transfers and Assignments

Major William P. Dix, 109th F.A., to the Air Corps Office, Chief of Air Corps, Washington, D.C.
Second Lieut. Elden H. Schwartz, 110th Infantry, to acting assistant adjutant general, Headquarters, 28th Div.

To Become Air Cadets

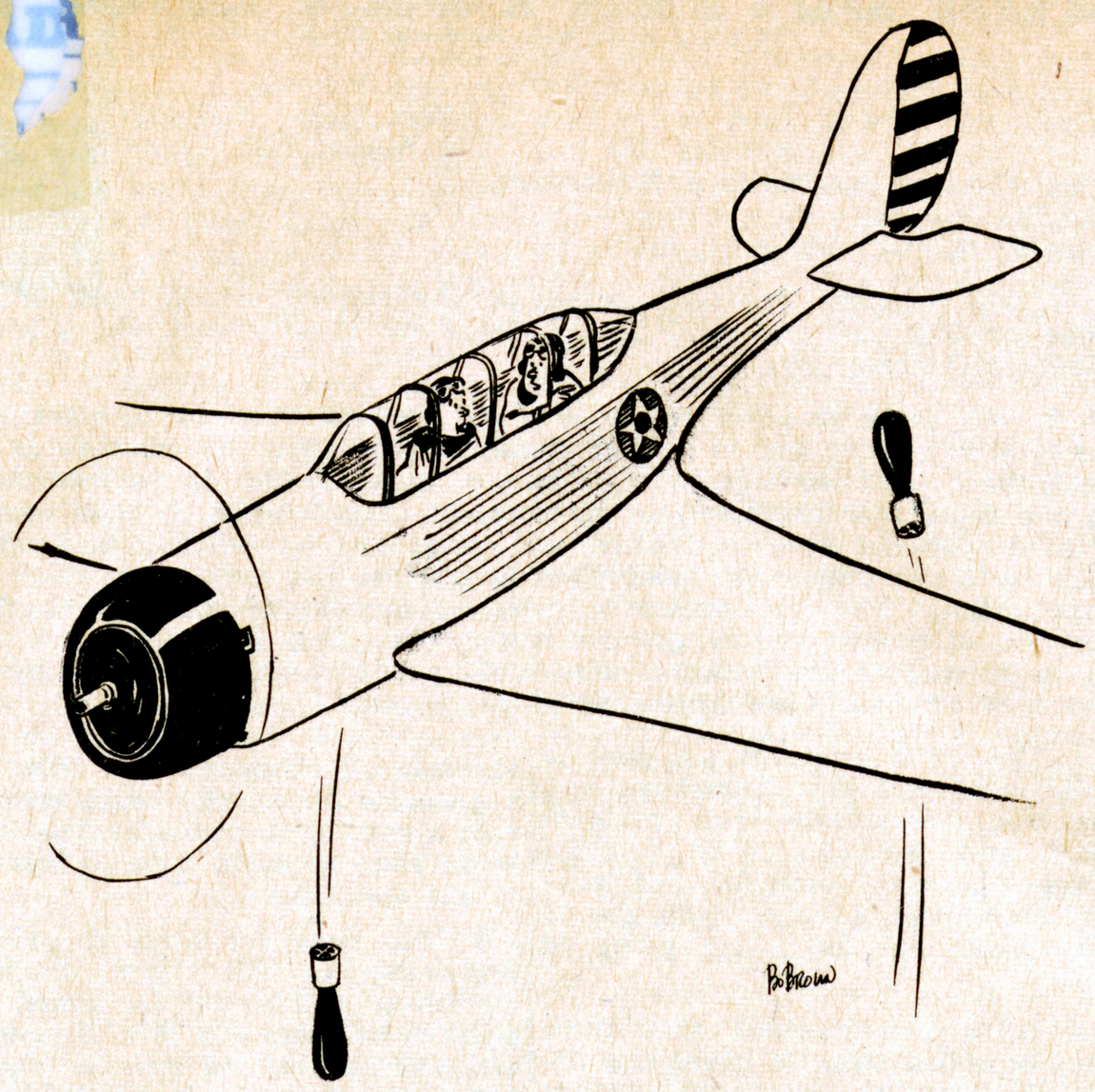
Corp. Timothy J. Cronin, Battery F, 107th F.A., and Pvt. Donald J. Haslem, Co. A, 109th Infantry, have been assigned as students in pre-flight training, U. S. Army Air Corps Aviation Cadets, Maxwell Field, Ala.

GUARDSMAN COPY

Sometimes we hear people say —"Our copy doesn't appear in the GUARDSMAN." This, dear reader, is undoubtedly due to the fact that no unit report has been submitted. We make every possible effort to print material submitted, but if such is not forthcoming, omission is the result.

Then again some unit reporters say "The copy was sent in, but did not appear." The answer to this, dear reporter, is that the copy unquestionably did not make the deadline. Print-shops maintain schedules, just like the army. Please don't expect the printer to shatter a production schedule to include a last-minute dash of copy. Oftentimes copy which comes in at the "eleventh hour" could have been submitted just as well a day or two sooner.

In other words; Beat the Deadline. Get your copy in regularly, and on time. Rest assured, it will appear in the GUARDSMAN if you follow this plan.



"Look, Aleshire, that one bounced ……!"

NEW ARMY SCHOOL TO PROVIDE TRAINING IN RETREADING TIRES

A school for training enlisted men in recapping, retreading and repairing tires will open early this month at a tire and rubber company plant at Akron, Ohio, the War Department has announced.

The establishment of the school, under the supervision of motor vehicle experts of the Quartermaster Corps, is in line with the recently announced Army plan of conserving approximately 50 per cent of the rubber used on Army trucks and automobiles. A recent experimental program completed at the Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Baltimore, Md., indicates that thousands of Army truck and passenger tires can be reconditioned successfully.

Twenty soldiers at a time will take the eight weeks course, which will include lectures and practical repair work in the shop. After graduation, the repair specialists, selected from Quartermaster Motor Transport Shops throughout the country, will return to their stations to teach other enlisted men.

While stress will be laid on retreading and recapping tires, the soldiers will also study modern methods of repairing tires with emphasis on rim bruises, injuries partly through the tire and injuries entirely through the tire. Other studies will include outside repair work on tires, nail holes and small cuts, sidewall injuries and large cuts in the tread.

Experience has indicated that only carefully selected tires are suitable for recapping, and for this reason a careful inspection of the tires to receive new treads will be conducted by Army specialists at centrally located points. There is a definite time, a recent nationwide survey revealed, when a tire should be recapped. Tests prove that it is uneconomical to attempt to get wear out of the last few thousand miles of a tire.

Technicians point out that a tire that is recapped before the tread rubber is worn to too great an extent, will give close to the original mileage obtained from a new tire.

The recapping of a tire, by the addition of approximately 15 pounds of rubber, keeps in service a tire of about four times that weight, it is estimated.

Ole, the night porter, was testifying before the jury after the big bank robbery.

"You say," thundered the attorney, "that at midnight you were cleaning the office, and eight masked men brushed past you and went on into the vault room with revolvers drawn."

"Yah," said Ole.

"And a moment later a terrific explosion blew the vault door off, and the same men went out past you carrying currency and bonds?"

"Yah," said Ole.

"Well, what did you do then "

"Aye put down my mop."

"Yes, but then what did you do."

"Vell, aye say to myself, 'dis bane hell of a way to run a bank?'"

—Purple Cow.

"Good bye dear—I'll be back in—(censored)." Typical scene as 28th Division takes off for work in the field.

NEW C. O. FOR 111TH

Col. Joseph R. Carvolth was relieved of assignment as Division range officer and has been placed in command of the 111th Infantry, in place of Col. Franklin P. Haller.

Other transfers and assignments are as follows:

Major Arthur D. Kemp, 111th to 112th Infantry.

Lt.-Col. Linwood McClure, 111th to 112th Infantry.

Lt.-Col. Stephen E. Spleen, Hq. 28th Division, to 111th Infantry.

Capt. Ira D. Keen, 110th to 111th Infantry.

Major Jay Cooke, 111th Infantry to Hq. 55th Brigade.

Major Charles S. Wunder, 103d Q. M. to 109th F. A.

Army Finance School To Move

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within a month of the transfer the School will be expanded threefold.

Besides the enlarged School itself, a new replacement training center will be established at Fort Benjamin Harrison. This center will provide basic military and technical finance training for approximately 900 Trainees, the Trainees to be drawn from Selective Service men whose previous experience indicates an aptitude for finance work. After completion of training, these men will be sent to field units of the Finance Department. Later, if they show sufficient promise, they may be returned to the Finance School for more advanced training.

The Finance School will offer three courses, the most advanced of which will be for officers. About 50 officers will be trained at one time. A second course will provide training for about 100 officer candidates, while the third will train approximately 150 non-commissioned officers and enlisted men.

Training of officers includes a thorough grounding in finance work to fit them for command of disbursing offices in which both Army and commercial vouchers are handled.

A less advanced course is provided for officer candidates, fitting them for the post of Assistant Finance Officer in disbursing offices, while the course for enlisted men provides training in the duties of non-commissioned personnel in disbursing offices and with field units.

Tough Sgt.: "Rat, you are about the greenest thing I have ever seen. Why look at the hayseeds on your coat."

Meek Rookie: "Them ain't hayseeds, guy, them's wild oats."

—Texas Ranger.

He: "Do you shrink from kissing?"

She: "No, if I did I'd be nothing but skin and bones."

—Gargoyle.

"Why does a bee buzz?"

"You'd buzz, too, if someone took your honey and nectar."

—Gargoyle.

"With some people you merely spend an evening, while with others you invest it."—*Elmer Leterman.*

My girl drives me nuts when she tells me about the cow back home that drank some purple ink, and mood indigo."

Pvt. Igoe: "Porter, get me another glass of ice water."

Porter: "Sorry, suh, but if I takes any mo' ice, dat co'pse in the baggage car ain't goin' to keep."

—Green Gander.

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